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S. Africa Maccabi visa ruse?

By JACK LEON
Post Sports Reporter

Some 200 South Africans are participating in the Maccabiah, despite the fact that South Africa has been banned from participating in the games.

The South Africans are not representing their country, but are part of the "Maccabi Modi'in" contingent of new immigrants who have not been in the country long enough to represent Israel.

However, at the squash tournament at Kfar Hamaccabiah yesterday, one South African member of the Modi'in contingent admitted that he does not intend to remain in Israel after the Maccabiah. He was immediately told to "keep quiet" by other South Africans, and none of his teammates was prepared to discuss the matter.

The Modi'in contingent, which also includes newcomers from Ethiopia, Lebanon, Rumania and the Soviet Union, numbers 220 sportsmen and sportswomen. But about 200 of them are said to be South Africans.

The A-1 temporary-resident visas with which the dozens of South Africans entered Israel were issued by the Israel Consulate in Pretoria, according to Yehoshua Kahana, the Interior Ministry deputy director-general for population administration.

Kahana said he knew of the entry of the South Africans – "as of everyone" – into the country with the visas, but their issue was not coordinated with the Interior Ministry.

"We had no contact at all with the Maccabiah authorities," he said.

Kahana conceded that only Jews who intend to stay for a prolonged period to try out life in Israel with the ultimate intention of staying, should be issued such visas.

If the South Africans had come with the intention of staying only a few days or weeks, they should not have received them, he conceded.

The Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, David Kimche, said last night his ministry had known nothing of the alleged irregularity.

International Maccabiah Games Committee chairman Michael Kevehazi told *The Jerusalem Post* that the South Africans were registered by the Jewish Agency as temporary

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Ethiopian immigrants march yesterday in protest against the demand of the rabbinical authorities that they undergo a conversion procedure. (Micha Bar-Am)

Ethiopians halt protest march

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. – Hundreds of Ethiopian immigrants from absorption centres in the north halted their protest march yesterday after being promised a meeting with Prime Minister Peres.

The demonstrators had intended to walk more than 150 kilometres to Ben-Gurion airport to protest against the Chief Rabbinate's order that they undergo a symbolic conversion.

Peres said he would soon be meeting with the chief rabbis and attempt to find ways to stop the suffering of the Ethiopian Jews.

Speaking during a tour of Kfar Tavor, the premier said, "I am no expert in *Halacha* (Religious Law), but even the rabbis have said that there is no doubt about the Ethiopians Jewishness."

Tehiya Party chairman Yuval Ne'eman said last night that if the Ethiopian immigrants do not want to remain in Israel they should pack their bags and go.

Ne'eman said they "ought to realize that they are not doing anybody a favour by remaining in this country."

Ne'eman said: "Coming to the Land of Israel is a privilege. Who-

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Peres, Shamir differ on delegation

By MICHAEL EILAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Peres and Foreign Minister Shamir seem to differ over the significance that a joint Palestinian-Jordanian delegation will have for the peace process.

While it has become increasingly clear that the U.S. intends to press for a meeting between Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy and such a delegation, the two disagree over whether Israel should involve itself in the selection of the delegation.

Peres would give serious consideration to the composition of the delegation only if it was absolutely clear that a meeting between the delegation and American officials was part of a general plan for peace negotiations in the near future, informed sources told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

It is felt that even indirect and informal Israeli involvement in the composition of the delegation would be counterproductive unless it was coupled with a plan for direct peace negotiations between Israel and this delegation. Israel expects that the U.S. will give Israel a list of prospective members of the delegation within a week.

Shamir, however, thinks that Israel should distance itself from any involvement in the composition of the list, according to a Foreign Ministry source.

Shamir's position is that Israeli comments on members of the list, which must be endorsed by the PLO, would lead to indirect American recognition of the PLO.

Shamir feels that if such a meeting were to take place, it would have nothing to do with the peace process, the source said.

King refuses to accept resignation

Belgium government resigns in wake of soccer disaster

BRUSSELS (Reuter). – Prime Minister Wilfried Martens tendered his government's resignation yesterday after four liberal ministers resigned. But King Baudouin refused to accept the resignation and called in political leaders for crisis talks.

Martens went to the king after a 75-minute cabinet meeting at which Deputy Premier Jean Gol and his Liberal (PRL) ministers confirmed they would not stay unless Interior Minister Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb was removed.

Nothomb has refused to resign over the Heysel Stadium European Cup soccer final disaster, in which 38 fans died in a rampage by English fans, despite being criticized by a parliamentary inquiry.

Spokesmen for all four governing parties, the Flemish and Francophone Liberals and the Flemish and Francophone Christian Democrats, said they hoped the coalition could carry on with its policy of economic revival until a planned general election on December 8.

But Martens said the government would continue with a minimum programme and early elections would be held.

Political sources say the king has several options. He could ask Martens to try to continue with the same or a new cabinet, ask someone else to form a caretaker government or, if all else fails dissolve parliament.

Reagan still plans to meet Gorbachev

WASHINGTON (Reuter). – President Reagan, making a good recovery from cancer surgery, yesterday authorized administration officials to begin preparations for his planned summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in Geneva on November 19 and 20.

The White House spokesman said a 10-person team would leave for Geneva tomorrow to plan logistics for the meeting, such as presidential communications, press facilities and accommodation.

It was the first official word that Reagan intends to go ahead with the summit despite the major intestinal surgery he underwent on Saturday for the removal of a large tumour found to be malignant.

The spokesman also said Reagan had received a message of sympathy from Gorbachev. (See story p.4)

Egypt arrests 47 Moslem extremists

CAIRO (Reuter). – Egypt has arrested 47 people for alleged anti-state activity, according to government sources, in the first crackdown on Moslem fundamentalists since President Hosni Mubarak took office 45 months ago.

Those arrested included Moslem clergyman Sheikh Hafez Salama, whose campaign to place Egypt under Islamic law has in recent weeks developed into a trial of wills between himself and Mubarak.

Mubarak has been reluctant to apply Islamic law, while Salama maintains that its disciplines would provide the solution to Egypt's economic and social problems.

Talks to resume today on dismissals, pay cuts

By ROY ISACOWITZ and AVI TEMKIN
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Government and Histadrut officials are due to meet today to resume their negotiations over civil-service retrenchments and wage compensation for the lowest wage-earners and pensioners.

The negotiations were suspended last Sunday after the Treasury rejected various Histadrut proposals for minimizing public-sector dismissals. The dismissals issue did not feature in the negotiations that preceded yesterday's signing of a wage-compensation agreement for the private sector.

The Histadrut central committee approved the agreement during a five-hour session yesterday, stressing that the agreement applies to the public sector as well, as has been the case with all previous cost-of-living agreements.

However, that depends on Finance Minister Moda'i signing an order extending the agreement to the public sector.

Moda'i yesterday hinted he will not extend the agreement unless the labour federation agrees to reach an accord on the issue of dismissals and wage reductions in the civil service.

Speaking yesterday at a meeting of senior officials from the civil service, Moda'i declared that he is still after a 3 per cent dismissal of public-sector workers and a 3 per cent reduction in wages – although he said that he is willing to accept any other combination as long as this achieves the same budget target.

He added that after the three-month emergency period ends in October, the government will press for further dismissals in the public sector, especially in places where the workforce has grown in the recent months.

Moda'i declared that this would be part of a broader plan to follow up the emergency plan and to tackle some of Israel's structural problems.

Moda'i's initial refusal to accept the agreement almost led to the collapse of the negotiations at 4 a.m. yesterday, after the agreement had already been signed by the manufacturers and the Histadrut.

It was only after Trade Union Department Chairman Haim Haberfeld had informed waiting journalists that the scheduled general strike would go ahead as planned that Moda'i relented and agreed verbally to apply the agreement to the public sector.

The agreement provides for the payment of special wage supplements over the next few months in place of the normal cost-of-living increments. It also provides for a new C-o-L system, starting in December. (See separate story.)

The agreement is expected to lead to gross wage erosion of some 14 per cent, though that could be offset in net wages by tax reductions.

The agreement in effect cancels the emergency decrees with which the government intended to regulate wages. However, Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar has acknowledged that the decrees could be enforced at any moment.

The negotiations resuming tomorrow will be aimed at thinning out civil-service ranks by some 8,000 without recourse to decrees. They will be conducted by Treasury wage experts and trade-union leaders, foremost among them Civil Service Union Secretary Reuven Ben-Ami and Clerical Workers Union Secretary Eliahu Reiff.

The Treasury has already rejected a union proposal that public-sector workers accept further wage reductions in return for limited dismissals. It has also responded negatively to demands "that workers agreeing to retire voluntarily receive preferential benefits."

The unions believe that the ranks can be thinned by a freeze on hirings, and early and voluntary resignations. Technicians Union Secretary Zalman Shenkman proposed yesterday that work farmed out to private contractors be undertaken by government departments. The unions would also like the negotiations to take place with each individual union, and not with the Histadrut's Trade Union Department.

Other issues that were not dealt with in yesterday's agreement – and which will be the focus of the forthcoming talks – are wage compensation for the lowest wage-earners and pensioners, and the levels of child allotments, welfare points and tax brackets.

Treasury officials said meanwhile, that the industrialists had promised the government that prices will not be raised as a result of the wage increments to be paid in December, January and February.

Main points of wage pact

By ROY ISACOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The agreement signed by the Histadrut and the private-sector employers yesterday morning in effect suspends the payment of the cost-of-living increment for the next three months. In place of them wage earners in the private sector will receive the following wage supplements:

- With July wages, payable at the beginning of August, a supplement of 14 per cent up to a wage ceiling of IS721,734. The supplement will be considered a wage component for every purpose.
- With August wages, payable in early September, a one-time payment of 12 per cent on the basis of July's wages. This payment will not be considered part of wages.
- Between November and March 1986, a compounded supplement of 12 per cent in three instalments: 4 per cent in December, 4 per cent in January and 3.5 per cent in February. The supplement, which will be regarded as a component of wages for every purpose, will be paid until a ceiling to be determined at the time of every payment.

Starting with October's consumer-price index, a new cost-of-living agreement will come into effect, in terms of when the C-o-L increment will be paid when monthly inflation rises above 4 per cent, or every three months, whichever is applicable. The increment will be paid at a rate of 80 per cent of the Consumer Price Index.

The old agreement allowed payment of the C-o-L increment only when monthly inflation exceeded 12 per cent.

The new agreement, which was signed by Histadrut Trade Union Department Chairman Haim Haberfeld and Manufacturers Association work committee chairman Uzi Natanel, will be in force until March 31, 1986, by when the two sides are due to have negotiated a new two-year agreement. Its application to the public sector depends on Finance Minister Moda'i signing an extension order to that effect.

Heinrich Böll dies at 67

COLOGNE, West Germany (AP) – Heinrich Böll, the Nobel Prize-winning author whose novels and short stories captured the essence of postwar West Germany, died yesterday, his publisher said. He was 67.

He was best known for such novels as *Billiards at Half Past Nine*, *The Clown*, *Group Portrait with Lady* – and a series of short stories.

He used the works, often filled with satiric touches, to criticize postwar West Germany, its Nazi past and militarism.

Böll won the 1972 Nobel Prize for literature.

A spokesman for his publishers said that Böll had been released from a Cologne hospital yesterday morning. He died in his home in the Eifel mountains of Western Germany.

He had been sick for some time and had been under medical care, but the publishing house declined to state the cause of death.

He made numerous trips abroad, including three trips to the Soviet Union, one to Czechoslovakia and another to Israel.





Underwater archeologist collects finds from "dig" off Israeli coast. (Israel Museum)

Ancient ships' treasures surface in Jerusalem

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A brief parting of the sands off the Carmel coast in northern Israel during a storm two years ago has yielded a remarkable archeological treasure from three sunken ships that will be put on public view in Jerusalem next week.

Protected by the deep sands from the corrosive effect of the sea, many of the objects retrieved by divers from the Department of Antiquities appear at least as well preserved as items found in caves of the Judean Desert. Among the objects is a sickle-shaped Canaanite sword from about the 14th century B.C.E. with its wooden handle intact. The unrusted sword which seems almost foundry-fresh required virtually no cleaning.

The items were shown yesterday to journalists in the storerooms of the Israel Museum prior to their public display in the Rockefeller Museum. The exhibition, entitled "From the Depths of the Sea," will open July 24 and run for a year.

No remains of the sunken ships were found, but their cargos were deposited within a few metres of each other on the seabed over the course of some 2,800 years. Archeologists believe the ships may have been broken up in storms or sunk by pirates.

The oldest of the vessels, from the late Canaanite period, had a valuable cargo of metals including ingots of lead, copper and tin, the latter probably from the area of Afghanistan. The lead and tin ingots are the oldest ever found anywhere, according to the curator of the exhibition, Osnat Misch-Brandl.

The ingots were incised with markings in the Cypro-Minoan language, indicating that they might have been shipped from Cyprus or Ugarit farther north on the Levantine coast. Other items in the cargo included the sickle-shaped sword and a well preserved metallic horse bit.

A cargo from the Hellenistic period (4th to 2nd centuries B.C.E.) appears to have belonged to a ship in the scrap-metal trade. A narrow-necked amphora was filled with 100 kilograms of bronze pieces, some of them deliberately broken to fit through the jar's narrow opening.

The exceptionally well preserved contents – free of rust or marine accretions – included handsome bronze bracelets whose golden gilding had been scraped off, a jeweler's tools, including a calliper and the pan of a scale used for weighing gold, and the broken pieces of a statue comprising part of a figure's mantle with silver inlay.

"These pieces were preserved so well because they were covered by the sand," said Misch-Brandl.

Other parts of larger-than-life statuary were found on the seabed indicating that at least some of the cargo had come from a city large enough to discard such statuary to the seaborne "alte zachen" scrap dealers.

The third ship was sunk early in the 15th century Mameluke period. It contained what Misch-Brandl calls the largest horde of coins ever found at sea – a half-ton of copper coins minted in Syria. She noted that the coins had little relative value even then because of the rampant inflation plaguing the Mameluke empire. The coins were still packed in palm-frond sacks. The cargo also included numerous bronze artefacts such as lamps and decorative devices that could fit nicely into modern homes with an eastern motif.

Marine archeologist Kurt Raveh said the items were found south of Haifa in three metres of water and less than 150 metres from shore.

He said a colleague had discovered ancient items in the area years before and returned periodically after winter storms to see whether the sands had again shifted. In January, 1983 he found the three cargos revealed. The items were raised to the surface in 10 days before the sands closed in again. Participating in the effort in addition to Raveh were Shelly Wachsman of the Antiquities Department and Ehud Galili and Nissim Shmueli of Haifa University.

The exhibition was to have been mounted a year ago, museum officials said, but the scope and varied nature of the finds required prolonged study.

Maureen Reagan in official address to UN women's conference:

U.S. delegate: Palestinian issue a legitimate topic

By JOANNA YEHIEL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NAIROBI. – Head of the U.S. government delegation to the Nairobi women's conference, Maureen Reagan, yesterday told the assembled delegations that the U.S. "has never, and does not now, object to the discussion of the situation of Palestinian women at the conference."

In her official speech to the conference, the daughter of President Reagan referred to both apartheid in South Africa and the Palestinian problem.

After describing four issues of special importance to the U.S. – women refugees, women in development, literacy, and domestic violence – Reagan said she realized that other delegations may consider other issues to be of greater importance. "We are here to listen to those concerns. In doing so, we hope to promote greater understanding among all women," she said.

Reagan continued: "For example, many delegations, especially those from Africa, believe that it is of utmost importance that this conference address the question of apartheid in South Africa. Others believe that the situation of Palestinian women deserves special attention. The U.S. has never, and does not now, object to the discussion of these issues at the conference."

She labelled apartheid as abhorrent to the government and people of the U.S. and said it should be addressed by the conference, which opened at the Kenyatta International Centre here on Monday.

"Similarly, we recognize that many delegations feel very strongly about discussing the situation in the Middle East and its effects upon women. We (the U.S.) are prepared to work constructively with those delegations in a spirit of consensus-building to arrive at results that all can accept," she said.

Reagan added: "I realize that this conference offers to many women a platform from which to speak that may be denied to them elsewhere... I would never deny to any woman an opportunity such as that presented here to use that platform, no matter how much I disagree with her position."

Referring to what has been called the "politicization" of the women's conference, Reagan stressed: "We have been concerned, it is true, over the possibility that generalized poli-

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Haifa Rotary Club will hold its weekly luncheon meeting at the Paz plant at 1 p.m. today.

Rabbi Benjamin Levine, a representative of Gesher, will speak on "Bridging the Gap between the Religious and Secular Worlds" at the weekly meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club at 1 p.m. in the YMCA today.

The Cecil Smaller Computer Centre was dedicated yesterday at Tel Aviv University at a ceremony attended by H.E. Mr. David de Villiers Du Buisson, South African ambassador in Israel.

ARRIVALS

Gerald Kraft, president of B'nai B'rith International, and Dr. Daniel Thursz, executive vice president, for consultations with the prime minister and the foreign minister and to participate in the executive committee meeting of the World Jewish Congress, and to attend the Maccabiah.

Eyewitness describes photographer's arrest

By MICHAL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – "A man in plain clothes ran to Rahamim Israeli, caught him and twisted his arms behind his back. Then a policeman punched him in the chest and in the back," an eyewitness to the press photographer's beating on the Tel Aviv promenade last Thursday afternoon said yesterday.

Avraham Levy, a member of Kibbutz Hazorea, volunteered to testify in the case and gave his version to police investigating the affair on Monday.

Levy said he saw a man with a camera walking on the promenade, then stopping by the edge and looking towards the sea, opposite the Opera Building.

Several people who noticed the *police investigating a suspicious object* near a beach hut had gathered around to watch the policemen. Israeli did not approach the site but tried to photograph the scene from the promenade, and was attacked by the police, Levy said.

According to unofficial police versions, Israeli tried to approach the hut on the beach where the crowd was gathered and obstructed the police.

Levy's testimony, however, supports Israeli's story, that he did not approach the hut but stayed on the promenade when he was assaulted.

When the plainclothes policeman first approached Israeli, Levy said, he heard the photographer say "I'm a journalist." But that only seemed to make the man angrier, Levy said.

One policeman who was present and who at first confirmed Israeli's version, that the police attacked him without provocation, reportedly is now reluctant to testify.

Addressing the Knesset last night, Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev accused the media and some Knesset members of already having decided who was guilty in the case.

Replying to the debate on the Police Ministry, he said that the media had already decided Israeli was 100 per cent right and the police *100 per cent wrong*.

Bar-Lev said that all complaints of police violence are investigated by a special unit that is subject directly to the police inspector-general and passes its findings on to the attorney-general.

He also said that he and the inspector-general have no objection to having all trials of policemen accused of violence being held in the civil courts and not in police disciplinary courts.



Soldiers and Maccabiah doctors give first aid to passengers of a car that overturned yesterday afternoon on the way to Jerusalem.
(Micha Bar-Am)

Likud, Alignment drop plan to meet on party funding

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

The Alignment and the Likud planned to meet discreetly yesterday and discuss how to increase their party financing from the state budget, but they dropped the idea when news of their intention was leaked.

Alignment faction chairman Rafael Edri and Likud faction chairman Haim Kaufman have been under pressure from the extra-parliamentary party bosses since the Histadrut elections two months ago to find some way to cope with the debts incurred during the campaign. Thus, they arranged to meet yesterday, but changed their minds at the last moment.

At the current level of party financing, the parties represented in the Knesset get approximately IS4.2m. monthly for each MK.

Although the party bosses allege that this sum is steadily being eroded by mounting costs, the allocations which come from the Treasury are the only budget in the country which is raised automatically every three months in line with the cost-of-living index.

Since a good part of party outlays are in salaries, the latest government-Histadrut arrangement gives the parties a considerable advantage. They will be required to pay their employees the truncated cost-of-living compensation, while being compensated themselves by the Treasury according to the full rise in the index.

ETHIOPIANS

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ever instigated the demonstrators to carry out this march made a terrible mistake."

The marchers, including some who have been on hunger strike since Sunday, left the Safad and Carmiel absorption centres during the morning and vowed they would continue even if some of them dropped dead en-route.

But the lead group only got as far as the Ahihud junction, 10 kilometres north of Acre, when they were met by Jewish Agency officials and were persuaded to turn back. The officials promised to arrange a meeting between their representatives and Peres. The Safad group also agreed to stop its march.

Members of the Carmiel group described their protest as a "march of pain." They charged that the rabbinate's decree had stamped them with the "mark of Cain" and made them feel like outcasts.

The 400-strong Carmiel group included many women, one of them pregnant, scores of children, one of them only two months old, old people and young men.

"Maybe it would have been better if we had stayed in Ethiopia despite everything we suffered there. At least there we knew who we are," said one of the marchers.

"We suffered famine, disease and beatings from those who did not like us because we are Jews, but we kept our faith," said the man.

"We are happy to come to Israel, to the land of Zion, even though many have paid a heavy price and some died before they could reach the Promised Land.

"But now we find we have less here than we had in Ethiopia. We could put up with the beatings and all the other things but not a blow to our faith."

He charged that Jews who immigrated to Israel from other countries were not ordered to undergo any form of conversion, only Ethiopians. Jews do not normally convert each other, he added.

At the head of the Carmiel group marched an old man wrapped in a white robe carrying the Israel flag. By his side walked a youth holding a placard which read "We Do Not Want To Be Converted Twice."

Several marchers collapsed, suffering from heat, thirst and exhaustion. They were given water by police.

The marchers said nobody else offered them food or drink during their journey. Earlier the marchers blocked the Acre-Safad road.

Throughout the march, police, who emphasized that the demonstration was unlicensed urged the Ethiopians to turn back.

In another incident a group of about 40 Ethiopians blocked the main Haifa-Tel Aviv coastal road at Kfar Samir yesterday afternoon, creating traffic chaos.

Many drivers took exception to the delay and argued with the demonstrators. One driver was injured when a stone was thrown at his car, smashing a windscreen.

The Haifa police spokesman said that police would investigate the stone-throwing incident if the injured driver lodges a complaint.

Later some 70 Ethiopians reached Ben-Gurion Airport, saying that unless they are fully recognized as Jews they want to leave the country, or stay at the terminal until they die.

Immigrants want privileges extended over seven years

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

Immigrant associations urged yesterday that customs privileges for new arrivals should be extended over seven years instead of the current three years.

Speaking in the Knesset Immigration and Absorption Committee, the immigrants' representatives also criticized a proposal by Likud MK Dov Shilansky to grant new arrivals a sum of money to purchase basic household durables like refrigerators and washing machines, instead of customs privileges.

Committee chairman Miriam Glaser-Tasa said that if Shilansky's proposal meant immigrants from the Free World would be able to bring in fewer household durables than they do today, and thus have to reduce their standard of living markedly, the immigrants' grievance was self-evident and merited sympathy.

Glaser-Tasa said the best idea would be to have two possibilities for new immigrants: one similar to today's but with less red tape, and the other based on Shilansky's suggestion, mainly for immigrants from lands of distress who cannot ship their household durables over, or afford to buy what they need here.

Militias lie low as Syrians monitor Beirut

BEIRUT (Reuter). – Moslem militiamen swapped battle fatigues for civilian clothes yesterday and kept their guns at home as Syrian military observers and Lebanese police patrolled West Beirut after weeks of militia anarchy.

Under orders from Prime Minister Rashid Karameh to keep off West Beirut streets, the fighters stayed at home or left for areas not affected by the latest attempt, agreed in Damascus last week by Moslem leaders, to end the anarchy.

In an apparent response, Christian leaders in East Beirut said Monday night all Christian forces there and to the north are being united under the command of the Lebanese forces militia.

The Green Line battlefront dividing East and West Beirut remained tense. Police said Lebanon's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Zafer al-Hassan, was wounded in the hand by a sniper bullet while crossing to the East under police escort.

Finance panel approves new tax rules

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

After months of deliberations the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday approved the income-tax regulations for fiscal 1985/86 based on the recommendations of the Steinberg Committee. It voted 12 to 6 to approve the recommendations, under heavy pressure from the Liberal Party MKs who fought against attempts to increase the burden on the self-employed.

The main body of the committee's recommendations, regarding a permanent system of taxation based on a stable currency, has yet to be approved by the cabinet and the Knesset. The regulations approved yesterday are only interim arrangements for the current fiscal year.

The new regulations are designed to close some of the loopholes created by the Taxation under Inflation Law, which caused huge losses in tax revenue from companies and the self-employed. According to the Treasury's calculations the new regulations will increase these taxes by some $400 million.

Black Hebrews arrested in U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP). – The Federal Bureau of Investigation announced yesterday the arrest of 25 members of the Black Hebrews, a religious sect accused of a multi-million dollar operation involving stolen plane tickets and credit cards, phony passports and bank embezzlement.

Eighteen were arrested in Washington, three in Baltimore and four in Chicago, the FBI said.

Suicide-car to blow 14 as more bodies found

BEIRUT. – The death toll from Monday's car bombing in South Lebanon rose to 14 yesterday, and rescue workers clawing through the rubble of a demolished building said they expect to find more bodies.

The victims included the bomber himself.

Lebanese Red Cross workers yesterday were awaiting permission to cross into the zone to collect bodies and wounded.

In Geneva the International Committee of the Red Cross said the use of the Red Cross flag by the bomber was a "doubly odious" act that threatened to jeopardize its humanitarian work in Lebanon.

It also confirmed that 10 ICRC vehicles have been stolen at gunpoint in Beirut in the past months, raising fears of further attacks by suicide bombers.

Hisham Abbass, who staged Monday's attack, was the third Lebanese to blow himself up in car bombings aimed at Israel and Israeli-backed South Lebanese Army soldiers in South Lebanon this month.

In a pre-recorded message broadcast on Lebanese state television Monday night Abbass described himself as a member of the Ba'ath Party, a Lebanese branch of Syrian President Hafez Assad's ruling party.

The two previous bombings were by a man and woman said to be members of Lebanon's non-sectarian Syrian Social Nationalist Party.

Menahem Horowitz adds from Metulla:

All of the checkpoints between the security zone in Southern Lebanon and the north of the country will remain closed for the next few days because of the suicide-car bomb attacks.

The South Lebanese Army is planning various steps to prevent the intrusion of car bombs and other explosives into the security zone.

Seeping sewage blamed for Haifa area dysentery cases

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. – The dysentery epidemic that has swept three bayside townships here since Sunday morning is likely to continue for a few more days, although the number of new cases reported is expected to drop, health experts told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

More than 2,000 people have been affected by the outbreak and some had to receive hospital treatment. But the experts emphasized that despite the unpleasantness of the illness it does not constitute a danger to life.

A health ministry spokesman last night said that experts have identified the source of the outbreak as sewage which penetrated a central water pipe.

So far the epidemic has been confined to Kiryat Bialik, Kiryat Motzkin and Kiryat Yam.

Dr. Marcel Lusian, the deputy-district medical officer, said 80 per cent of those affected by the disorder, which causes diarrhea, high fever and vomiting, were children. Many of the cases involved youngsters between the ages of one and four. There had been no reports of babies under one being affected.

As a precaution, the Mekorot Water Company disconnected water supplies to the townships from nearby aquafiers, while increasing the amount of chlorine in the main water supply.

Health experts have also advised people to wash all fruit and vegetables, to be certain that utensils handled by those suffering from the disorder are not used by other members of the family and to pay particular emphasis to general hygiene.

Histadrut Kupat Holim clinics in the townships put on extra staff to cope with the outbreak. By yesterday afternoon they had dealt with 1,000 cases.

West Bank settlers form new council

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The heads of several Jewish municipal councils in the West Bank yesterday formed a new organization to handle their mutual local affairs. This move follows a feeling that the council of Jewish Settlements in Judea, Samaria and Gaza has been too political, Amos Tartman, of Ma'ale Adumim and one of the organizers, said.

Since the council has never dealt with municipal matters, there was a need for the new organization, Tartman said.

The new forum reportedly includes representatives of Ariel, Ma'ale Efraim, Emmanuel, Givat Ze'ev, Efrat and Ma'ale Adumim.

ELECTION: – Iran's fourth presidential election since the 1979 revolution will be held on August 16, the Iranian Interior Ministry said yesterday.

Counterfeit tickets

RAMAT GAN (Itim). – The owner of a Beersheba printing press and his cousin were detained yesterday on suspicion of printing counterfeit tickets to the Maccabiah. A total of 856 fake tickets were found in their possession, the police said.

The pair was arrested by police who were checking cars in the Ramat Gan stadium parking lot.

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residents when they arrived over the weekend.

The IMGC accepts the registration in good faith and is not investigating whether in fact the arrivals really are temporary residents, Kevehazi said. He also said that after the Maccabiah the movements of the South Africans would not be investigated.

Kevehazi informed *The Post* last month that South Africa would not be participating in the Games due to mounting international pressure against any sporting ties with South Africa.

"The Maccabi Federation there has decided not to take part to avoid serious problems among athletes from a number of countries sending *teams to the Games*.

Israel National Olympic Committee president Yitzhak Ofek warned last night that "if it is proved that South Africans as such took part in the Maccabiah, the International Olympic Committee will take sanctions against the International Maccabi Games Committee.

WOMENS' CONFERENCE

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tical issues with only a nominal connection with the unique concerns of women might come to dominate our conference. That is a result that we will work hard to prevent. We want this to be remembered as a conference of women, by women, and for women."

Earlier, in her official speech to conference delegations, the wife of President Mubarak of Egypt, Suzanne Mubarak, called on women from all over the world to understand the problem of the Palestinian women and to extend their hand to help them.

"The longer the (Israeli) occupation (of the territories) lasts, the more it adds to a long record of sufferings by Arab women," Mubarak said. "There is no way out from this situation but to put an end to the occupation," she said.

"Women cannot develop or effectively participate in developing the society under foreign occupation and subjugation, especially while witnessing every day the arrest and expulsion of husband, brother and son," Mubarak added.

Other Western nations such as Canada and Denmark, agreed with the U.S. in their official speeches that politics could and should play a part in this conference, but they did not directly allude to the Palestinian issue.

Canadian delegation head Walter McLean, minister responsible for the status of women, underlined that "local and regional conditions can so dominate women's lives that it would be unthinkable not to address them at this meeting."

The Iraqi delegate, Manal Younis Abdul Razzaq, told the meeting that women should urge governments to eliminate all forms of foreign occupation and domination, and other evils such as "occupation of territory by force, racism, racial discrimination, apartheid and Zionism."

The conference should support the struggle of Palestinian and Lebanese women against Israel, she said.

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Travel agents cut air-flight prices, but it's 'buyers beware'

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

With taxes cutting sharply into foreign travel, local travel agencies are cutting the prices of flight tickets as never before. But it's "buyer beware", because some of the agencies are expected to go broke before some clients get their tickets.

The biggest price cuts are on flights to North and South America. The published price of a round-trip fare to the U.S. is $799, the official price for all the airlines, but tickets are being offered for as low as $650.

The round-trip fare to South America is officially $1,400, but with a little shopping around one can get a ticket for about $1,000.

The agents giving the biggest bargains, however, are also those in the worst financial trouble. Travel agents predict that some of the smaller agencies will go bankrupt in a few months.

"They are offering the tickets at just a little above cost, just to keep up their supply of capital," one agent told *The Jerusalem Post*, "but eventually they won't be able to keep it up."

The open market is largely a result of some airlines offering agents large commissions, and the agents accordingly giving discounts to win customers.

The biggest rebates, and the cheapest tickets, come from Tower Air, now flying as a scheduled airline on the New York-Brussels-Ben-Gurion Airport run. Agents expect a commission of about 32 per cent. Next in line, giving from 20 to 25 per cent cuts, are British Air, KLM and Air France.

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) used to send inspectors around to make sure that agencies were charging the full fares," an agent told *The Post*, "but we haven't seen any for a few years."

In the fight for ticket sales, two South American airlines began paying commissions abroad to Israeli agents. Three Tel Aviv travel agents were investigated for the practice and are now awaiting trial. But the real problem, agents say, is that at least some of the agents will not be able to keep up the cycle. When they go bankrupt, they could well end up owing thousands to the large agents, endangering the entire travel business.

For those who think that they will be protected by the Tourism Ministry, there is little consolation. The ministry licenses agents and demands a bank guarantee of $300,000 from new agents, but agencies which have been in business for more than three years need no guarantee.

According to Ze'ev Ellenberg, of the ministry's agents licensing department, if an agent goes bankrupt, the ministry will use the bank guarantee, if there is one, to compensate clients and suppliers alike and not the clients first.

According to the airlines, once a ticket is issued and validated by an authorized agent, the airline is duty-bound to honour it, even if the agent goes out of business afterwards. Thus, anyone buying a bargain flight should make sure to get the ticket. An IATA member should be able to issue the ticket immediately upon payment. Travellers should be wary of agents who say it will take time to issue the ticket. The longer it takes, the worse trouble they are likely to be in.



Religious Affairs Minister Yosef Burg leaves Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek hospital yesterday after being hospitalized 2½ weeks ago for emergency surgery on his large intestine. The operation was a success and no further treatment is necessary. (Landau)

Israelis breathe 'clean air,' environmental report shows

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The quality of the air Israelis breathed last year was "generally good," according to the Interior Ministry's Environmental Protection Service.

In his annual report, service director Dr. Uri Marinov notes that while there has been a slight rise in the levels of nitrogen-oxide concentrations along the coastal plain, the rest of the country is getting less of that now. This has been accompanied by a country-wide drop in air pollution by sulphur dioxide, he said.

As for airborne dust, there was no increase in levels last year except in Hadera, as a result of the new coal-fired electric power generating station.

"Our network of monitoring stations reported very few radical departures from the norms during the year," Marinov says. "Even the atmosphere inspection equipment located next to the power stations in Haifa, Tel Aviv and Ashdod registered only a few deviations from the usual. The quality of our air last year was generally good."

One of the factors in controlling air pollution could be the establishment of monitor-control stations by the Israel Electric Corporation in conjunction with the Meteorological Service. These installations, in operation since 1982, warn power stations of imminent changes in wind direction and air density. On the basis of these alerts, the stations switch from high- to low-sulphur fuels until atmospheric conditions return to normal.

The Environmental Protection Service says that "in all probability" the main source of air pollution in the Dan area are the industrial plants in and around Bnei Brak.

As for Jerusalem, the air in the capital continues to be good, with low levels of sulphur dioxide. However, photochemical pollutants – notably ozone – are borne into the capital by air movements from the coastal plain.

On the quality of the country's drinking water, the report says that the improvement begun three years ago is continuing, as reported by the Health Ministry in its microbiological examinations.

The main cause of unsatisfactory drinking water, when discovered, has been unsanitary conditions in reservoirs.

Among the measures taken last year to maintain the quality of the country's drinking water have been construction of a chlorination plant for National Water Carrier feed lines at Beit Netufa; two similar plants at outlets from the carrier at Tekuma and Mafsah; a treatment station for Kinneret water, to serve settlements in the Jordan Valley; installation of equipment for removal of iron and hydrogen sulphide from water wells being drilled in the Arava; and a fluoridation plant for the Dan area.

Moroccan king may receive Jerusalem trees

By JUDY SIEGEL

Morocco's King Hassan II is to be offered five pine and cypress trees from Jerusalem for his royal courtyard. They will be set aside for King Hassan today when a forest of 10,000 trees is dedicated in the capital's Ramot neighbourhood in memory of his father, Mohammed V.

The forest is being planted by the Jewish National Fund at the initiative of the Association of North African Immigrants, in commemoration of the late king who died in 1961 at the age of 51. Mohammed V is considered a hero by North African Jews, because he defended the Jews of Morocco against Hitler and refused to allow their deportation to Nazi Germany during World War II.

The king viewed his country's Jews as a kind of good-luck charm, and thought that if they were harmed his rule would be endangered. When the Germans invaded North Africa, he insisted that all his subjects were equal and that he would not hand over the Jews.

Former Moroccan Jews now living in Israel began to think of an appropriate memorial for him about six years ago. Some went to his son, the present king whom they say also has a favourable attitude towards the Jews of Morocco. They proposed that a forest bearing his name be planted in Jerusalem, and according to the JNF, the king silently acquiesced. Hassan is under considerable pressure from Arab countries because of his policy on Israel and Jews.

The immigrants' association raised some $10,000 in Israel, France and Canada from former Moroccan Jews and from various enterprises, and donated the money to the JNF.

The ceremony, to be held at 4:30 p.m. today, is to be attended by Jerusalem Chief Rabbi Shalom Mashash, Interior Minister Yitzhak Peretz and guests from abroad.

Five of the trees are to be taken by former Moroccan Jews to Hassan's palace and planted there, the Association says.

Cutbacks mean 'bigger risk for IDF'

Post Defence Reporter

Budget cuts are forcing the Israel Defence Forces to take bigger chances with the country's security, a senior officer told defence correspondents Monday.

The officer also said he believes that some of those urging further cuts in the defence budget are "playing politics" with the security issue.

He said he believes Israel will be faced with another war, most likely involving the Syrians. "But no one knows when war will break out; and we must be ready for a worst-case scenario involving a variety of Arab countries."

Israel, said the source, will have to be ready for this eventuality "for a long time," and yet has already been forced to cut back military vehicles, ammunition and regular forces. "During all my years in the army we have never had to grapple with the budgetary difficulties that we do today," he said.

He added his voice to others that have expressed concern at military co-operation between Jordan and the U.S., saying that joint exercises held by the two have been increasing in scope, undoubtedly resulting in an improvement in the level of the Jordanian forces. The source said that Jordan is also developing "very close" military ties with Egypt and is learning many lessons from the Persian Gulf war through its contacts with Iraq.

According to the source, the Jordanians have not permitted the PLO to set up training camps (as reported recently), although the Palestine Liberation Army continues to maintain its camps in Jordan.

The Jordanians are also working continuously to prevent terrorist activity against Israel from Jordanian territory, he said, and the Jordan-Israeli frontier in general is "very quiet," with only "crazies and criminals" making the occasional effort to cross the border.

There is no evidence of any stepped-up efforts by the PLO to engage in terrorist raids from Jordan against Israel, says the source.

Ida Nudel is sick, harassed, sister says

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – Ida Nudel's life is in danger, her sister Ilana Friedman said at a press conference here yesterday, and the only way to save her is to get her to Israel to rejoin her family.

"A Soviet doctor diagnosed cancer of the stomach," Friedman said, "but now there is some doubt about that diagnosis. Of course, I hope and pray my sister doesn't have a fatal illness, but from reports about how she walks and how she looks there is reason to fear that her general health is very poor."

When Nudel came to the Moldavian town where she is now living after four years' exile in Siberia, she made some friends there. Friedman said, but the police and KGB have done everything possible to isolate her. Today, people are afraid to be her friends, her sister said, and she is very lonely.

In addition, the police are harassing Nudel with threats of a trial for "parasitism," despite her state of health and her being only a few months short of the retirement age of 55.

Raya Jaglom, president of World Wizo and chairman of Israeli Women for Ida Nudel, said she is particularly concerned after having been told that the head of the Soviet delegation to the continuation of the Helsinki conference in Ottawa had cited Nudel as an example of someone who will not be allowed to leave the USSR.

No basketball league for Jewish terrorists

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev yesterday told Prison Service Commissioner Rafi Suissa to put an end to plans by the convicted Jewish terrorists to play league basketball.

The "Teltsur" basketball team put together by the convicted underground had registered to play as part of the Elitsur (Hapoel Hamizrahi) sports organization in third-division basketball tournaments.

Bar-Lev told Suissa yesterday that only prisoners in outside-prison-walls rehabilitation programmes may play in any sporting activity that involves games outside the prisons.

Two of the Jewish undergound convicts, Yosef Tsuriya and Noam Yinon, are in such rehabilitation programmes, but they are not among the 15 convicts to be sentenced next week.

Rishon bank official freed on IS1m. bail

TEL AVIV (Itim). – A IS1 million bail was set yesterday for a Rishon Lezion bank official who is suspected of withdrawing money from the account of a dead client since 1983.

The police representative told the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court that Anatoly Weinbeiter, 29, discovered that the client had died in 1981 and that the National Insurance Institute had continued depositing his pension cheque in the account. Weinbeiter did not report this to his superiors, the court was told.

In April 1983, Weinbeiter issued himself a cheque book in the deceased's name, the police said. He then withdrew funds from the account and deposited them in his wife's account, the police said.

The alleged fraud was discovered when the NII asked the bank to return several thousand shekels deposited by error in the dead man's account.

Harp contest to TA for semi-finals, final

Post Music Editor

The Ninth International Harp Competition is now moving from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv for the semi-finals tomorrow and the finals on Friday afternoon. The six semi-finalists are (in alphabetical order): Maria Bildea, Rumania; Maria Casale, France; Ieuan Jones, Wales; Sebastien Lipman, France; Aude Michot, France; Naoko Yoshino, Japan.

The next round is to take place tomorrow at the Tel Aviv Museum, at 9:30 a.m. and at 3 p.m., when each contestant will perform the Debussy Trio for Flute (Michael Meltzer), Viola (Ze'ev Steinberg) and Harp; the *Passacaglia dans le style oriental* by Ami Ma'ayani, and a recital of personal choices.

On Friday, at 2 p.m., the three finalists, to be chosen at the end of Thursday evening, will contest for the top prizes in an appearance with members of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Zubin Mehta.

Charged with rape while in reserves

TEL AVIV (Itim). – A 37-year-old man was charged in the district court here yesterday with raping a mother of four while serving as an army ambulance driver last month.

Ben-Ami Yaron is accused of giving the woman a lift in the ambulance, and instead of dropping her off at Ramle as he had promised, took her to his home in Nes Ziona.

After some hesitation, the woman agreed to come up to his apartment where, according to the prosecution, Yaron raped her.

The judge agreed that he be held in custody until the end of legal proceedings against him.

Yeshiva head denies Kach posters

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The head of the Ohr Torah institutions at Efrat in the West Bank yesterday denied that Kach posters had been put up around his yeshiva and that a grenade found there was traced to one of the yeshiva students.

Rabbi Shlomo Riskin was commenting on an Itim report on the sentencing of Tuvia Wertheim, the security officer at Moshav Elazar in Gush Etzion, for having stolen IDF weapons in the armoury under his control.

The Itim report said the police investigation was launched after the yeshiva complained about the posters. It said the police then arrested two soldiers – one of them a former student – who admitted to having given stolen fragmentation grenades and smoke bombs to Wertheim.

Riskin said there never were and never will be Kach posters on his yeshiva's walls. The grenade found three weeks ago was traced to a soldier – an immigrant from the U.S. – who was not a student of the yeshiva, although he had visited Riskin's home on occasion. The soldier is now in military prison, Riskin said.

TEXTBOOKS. – The official price list for school textbooks just issued by the Education Ministry was prepared before the recent economic steps, and therefore 20 per cent should be added to all prices quoted, the ministry spokesman announced. Complaints should be addressed to the Education Ministry, 34 Rehov Shivtei Yisrael, Jerusalem.

CONCERTS. – The Haifa Symphony Orchestra is staging free weekly concerts in Gan Ha'Em in central Carmel on Wednesday nights starting at 6 p.m., the Haifa municipality said yesterday.

RESEARCH. – A Centre for the Research of Zionism and the Yishuv has been established at the Hebrew University as a joint project of the faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Chemical warfare may become routine in ME

By COLIN LEGUM / LONDON

THE DANGER of chemical warfare becoming a feature of future conflicts in the Middle East has grown because of the failure of the international community to stop Iraq from manufacturing and using poisonous gases in its war with Iran.

The next step towards the greater use of chemical weapons has already been taken by Iran, which is now manufacturing mustard gas at its chemical fertilizer plant in Marvdasht. According to a well-informed Iranian source, a considerable quantity of mustard gas has already been manufactured, tested and is now ready for deployment against Iraq.

Once both sides become engaged in chemical warfare and have built up large stocks, it will be harder to deal with this noxious threat.

Iraq first began to use chemical weapons on the warfront over a year ago. Last March it again spread poisonous gases by rockets, shells and aerial bombs in the marsh region north of Basra. There are still unconfirmable reports of a further poison gas attack on Iranian positions in April.

A number of Iranians wounded by chemical weapons – some of which are outlawed under international conventions – have been treated in West European hospitals.

Towards the end of last March, the Iranians succeeded in getting an F-4 fighter through Iraqi airspace to bomb the SEPP insecticide plants where chemical warfare weapons are manufactured. However, the bombs fell on wasteland around the factory and caused no damage. The Iraqis have remained unusually silent about this failed Iranian mission.

THE SEPP plant was originally built and supplied by British and West German firms in the mid-1970s with the specific purpose of manufacturing agricultural insecticides. However, the Iraqis have had little difficulty, with the help of West European specialists, in converting the material used for the manufacture of pesticides into the production of mustard and nerve gases.

The SEPP plant's main infrastructure, equipment and raw materials were supplied by two West German firms. The Herberger company was responsible for the construction of the plant and is still building extensions to it. The Karl Kolb company and its subsidiary, Pilot Plant, are responsible for the procurement of equipment and chemicals from a number of West European sources, but mainly from West Germany.

More recently, a Dutch firm, KBS of Terneuzen, has been supplying equipment and chemicals.

Some of the weapons to deliver the gases – rockets and shells – are supplied by an Italian firm, PPD of Colli Ferro, while a Spanish firm, EXPAL, is reported to have supplied the Iraqis with aerial bombs.

Unexploded bombs of the Spanish type, filled with mustard gas, were found by a UN committee that was sent to Iran to examine its complaints about the use of chemical weapons by Iraq.

Fears are now being expressed in a number of Middle Eastern capitals that, unless the use of chemical weapons can be effectively stopped before they come to be established as part of "conventional warfare," they will be built into the armouries of countries in the region.

A curious feature of this situation is that despite some initial international concern expressed about the use of chemical weapons by Iraq, there has been little sustained follow-up action. It was this failure to act against Iraq that led the Iranians to decide to engage in manufacturing their own chemical weapons.

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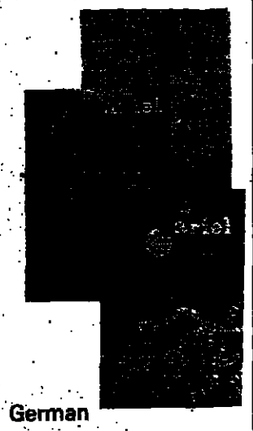
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White minister sacked in Zimbabwe reshuffle

HARARE (Reuter). – Zimbabwe's Prime Minister Robert Mugabe has dismissed his most prominent and respected white minister in retaliation for the white minority's support of former Rhodesian leader Ian Smith in recent general elections.

Announcing his new cabinet Monday, Mugabe told a news conference there was no place for Agriculture Minister Denis Norman in the government despite the fact he had done a "marvellous" job.

Mugabe said that by voting for Smith whose Conservative Alliance Party won 15 of 20 seats reserved for whites. The 34,000 white voters had shown they did not appreciate the work Norman had done and therefore did not merit representation in the cabinet.

The sacking of Norman, a former head of the country's economically vital Commercial Farmers' Union was greeted with dismay by businessman and western diplomats who said it was bound to erode white confidence further following Mugabe's harsh criticism of the white poll result as "racist."

In post-election speeches he vowed to scrap the reserved white seats as soon as possible.

In the elections, the ruling Zanu-PF party was swept back to power with 63 seats to 15 for Joshua Nkomo's opposition PF-Zapu and one seat for the minority Zanu party.

Ultimatum to South Africa on detainee

THE HAGUE (Reuter). – The Netherlands will withdraw its ambassador from South Africa unless Pretoria hands back within 48 hours a Dutchman seized from its embassy by South African police, the Foreign Ministry said yesterday.

The row began when Klaas de Jonge, 47, was removed from the embassy by South African police last Tuesday after he tried to take refuge there.

The Netherlands asked for an apology, disciplinary action against the police officers and an assurance that there would be no further such incidents.

Dutch Foreign Minister Hans Van den Broek said on Friday that South Africa had given unsatisfactory answers and the Dutch ambassador would be withdrawn failing a satisfactory reply.

South Africa's Ambassador in The Hague, David Louw, said on Friday a full reply was expected, but the Dutch Foreign Ministry said yesterday it was still waiting.

A ministry spokesman said the ultimatum was a last attempt to break the deadlock.

De Jonge tried to take refuge in the embassy after escaping from police during a tour of parts of Pretoria where he was alleged to have committed offences.

He has been held without charge since June 23 under South Africa's Internal Security Act, which allows indefinite detention without trial.

Doctors are optimistic about Reagan

WASHINGTON. – President Reagan has been told he had cancer, but that chances are better than even he was cured by surgery and will enjoy both a normal lifespan and quick return to full vigour as chief executive.

Doctors gave the 74-year-old president those opinions Monday after they found that a large tumour removed with 65 centimetres of his colon during major intestinal surgery on Saturday was malignant.

White House aides said both Reagan and his wife Nancy took the news calmly and the president was ebullient when he heard the optimistic outlook for recovery Monday afternoon.

"There is a greater than 50 per cent chance that the president now has no cancer whatsoever, that there are no cancer cells in his body, and he is completely cured," said Dr. Steven Rosenberg, a cancer specialist and one of several doctors on Reagan's surgical team.

. After hearing the upbeat medical prognosis. Mrs. Reagan left the Bethesda Naval Hospital just outside Washington and returned to the White House to carry out her official duties.

"The likelihood is the tumour will never recur," Rosenberg said. "There was no evidence of spread... There is a greater than even chance the president will live a normal lifespan.

"The majority of patients in exactly the president's situation would certainly survive five years and beyond."

The rule of thumb in medicine is that cancer victims are totally cured if the malignancy has not recurred within five years of successful surgery.

A White House spokesman said the president is still expected to remain in the hospital a total of seven to 10 days, which would mean he would not return home until early next week at best.

The White House said the president would undertake a light schedule in the immediate future, but would meet Chinese President Li Xiannian next week as previously arranged.

White House chief of staff Donald Regan meanwhile emerged as the most commanding figure during the president's illness, even though under the U.S. Constitution Vice President George Bush was the country's nominal leader.

Bush has not seen or talked to Reagan since Saturday's operation.

By contrast, Regan has met the president every day since he entered hospital and is Reagan's link with the Congress and the rest of the White House staff.

Meanwhile, the dollar recovered ground on currency markets yesterday after dipping in New York late Monday in response to the announcement that a growth was cancerous. (Reuter, AP)

Armed Moroccans held on return from Algeria

RABAT (Reuter). – Two Moroccans carrying weapons and explosives were arrested as they returned from Algeria where they had been trained to commit "acts of collective terrorism," the Interior Ministry said here yesterday.

In a news conference statement, Interior Minister Driss Basri said a military border patrol detained them on July 10.

They were carrying 12 automatic pistols and ammunition, five kilograms of TNT, fuses and detonators, it said.

The statement said they were members of a group of Moroccans trained by Algerian military security officers in the use of explosives and various weapons.

In March 1973 several hundred armed Moroccans were arrested after entering the country from Algeria.

Experts studying Air India 'black box'

BOMBAY (Reuter). – Experts investigating the crash of the Air India jumbo jet last month yesterday opened its voice recorder, one of the two "black box" recorders which could reveal how the disaster occurred.

The Press Trust of India news agency said the voice recorder was opened and then cleaned and dried at Air India's engineering base in Bombay Airport.

The news agency said the recorder was later taken to India's top nuclear research centre, the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre for analysis.

If the tape if successfully analysed it is expected to reveal the last words spoken in the cockpit.

An Air India official said the flight data recorder would be opened in the next 48 hours.

The operation started after the judge heading India's official inquiry into the disaster set out procedures for experts who will try to decode the contents.

The boxes were recovered last week after a massive underwater search operation in the sea off Ireland where the plane crashed on June 23, killing all 329 people on board.

U.S.-Soviet talks stalled

GENEVA – The U.S. and the Soviet Union ended the second round of their new arms-control talks yesterday with the negotiations still deadlocked over President Reagan's "Star Wars" space-based defence project.

Chief Soviet negotiator Viktor Karpov told reporters: "There has been no progress and it's not our fault. The talks are tied to both sides. It's incumbent on the second side (the Americans) to change their position," he added.

But chief U.S. negotiator Max Kampelman, speaking to reporters several hours later, gave a more positive assessment.

"We do note a greater emphasis on dialogue and a lesser emphasis on polemics," said Kampelman, reading a prepared statement. He did not answer questions.

Kampelman admitted that "In a negotiation as complex as this one, an agreement will not be easily or quickly arrived at."

The talks will resume September 19, Kampelman said, in the first official announcement of a resumption date.

The Reagan administration instructed Kampelman not to negotiate on the Strategic Defence Initiative, the $26 billion research programme intended to place an anti-missile shield in space.

The Russians have said no progress could be expected on reducing the superpowers' huge arsenal of long and medium-range nuclear missiles until the "Star Wars" programme had been abandoned.

Karpov also referred to a speech by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev on June 26, in which the Kremlin chief said Moscow might have to reassess its position at the talks. (Reuters, AP).

U.S. soldier hurt by Soviet vehicle

FRANKFURT (AP). – A Soviet military vehicle was involved in an accident with a U.S. military vehicle last weekend in East Germany, injuring an American soldier, a U.S. military spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman for the U.S. command in Berlin said he did not know how seriously the American soldier had been injured or whether Washington had filed a protest in the incident.

He said only that he could confirm a report in a West Berlin daily newspaper, the *Tagesspiegel*.

The newspaper reported that a vehicle belonging to the U.S. military mission in Potsdam, East Germany was being followed by the Soviet vehicle last weekend. The Soviet vehicle then was involved in an accident with the American vehicle, although the specific location in East Germany was not reported by the newspaper.

Nicaragua adds elite force to battle U.S.

MANAGUA (Reuter). – Nicaragua has created an elite quick-reaction military unit trained to fight any U.S. invasion force and harass occupying American troops, Interior Minister Tomas Borge said Monday night.

Borge disclosed the formation of the unit at a ceremony honouring a founder of the ruling Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN), Commandante Julio Buitrago, who died in the 1979 revolution which brought the Sandinistas to power.

"In addition to having 200,000 men in arms who are prepared and waiting for the arrival of U.S. Marines, we have special compartmentalized structures which in the case of an invasion, will respond violently and implement thousands of mechanisms for making the life of the enemy impossible," Borge said.

On Sunday, Defence Minister Humberto Ortega said the Sandinistas had issued 200,000 rifles to civilian militias in preparation for a U.S. invasion and had trained special units in anti-tank and anti-helicopter tactics.

Prostitutes 'loss of livelihood' angers UN conference women

NAIROBI (AP). – Angry women from a dozen countries launched a protest against reported roundups of prostitutes and beggars before the start of the UN Decade for Women Conference.

"We don't want people to lose their livelihood because we are here," said Selma James, an American living in London. "I feel strong concern because our coming together cannot be the occasion for women to be persecuted."

Hundreds of Kenyan prostitutes, street hawkers and beggars reportedly were arrested on vagrancy charges or dispersed before the start of the conference and the non-governmental workshops called forum '85.

The protesters began collecting signatures for a petition which they intend to present to Kenyan authorities.

Deputy Police Commissioner Harrison Musau denied that prostitutes were targeted for the crackdown. He attributed their sudden disappearance to the large numbers of police patrolling streets during the July 15-26 UN conference.

"It's normal law enforcement, but more active because we are many," the police official said. "Only vagrants-people carrying no cash-are being arrested," he added.

However, there have been complaints made by some Nairobi families that their teenage children, mistaken for prostitutes, have been picked up in the sweep on their way home from school.

Gandhi's bloody sari shown

NEW DELHI (AP). – Prosecution in the Indira Gandhi murder trial yesterday offered as evidence the bloodstained, bullet-ridden saffron sari the prime minister was wearing when she was gunned down last October.

Prosecuter K.L. Arora displayed the cotton sari, a matching blouse and a petticoat to Dr. T.D. Dogra for identification. Dogra, who performed the autopsy on Gandhi's body on October 31, identified the clothes as those the prime minister was wearing on the day of her death.

Six packets containing bullets fired at Gandhi, including two removed from her body, also were opened in the makeshift courtroom inside high security Tihar Jail where the trial is being conducted.

According to the official post-mortem report seven bullets were lodged inside her body but only two were taken out during an autopsy in all. Gandhi suffered 30 entry wounds, although the autopsy found that most of the bullets exited her body.

The trial was conducted as the three Sikhs accused of the murder sat behind a bullet-proof glass. They are Satwant Singh, Gandhi's security guard accused of shooting her, Balbir Singh, an inspector in the prime minister's security team, and Kehar Singh, a civil servant.

Both Balbir Singh and Kehar Singh are accused of criminal conspiracy in the case. Another Sikh security guard, Beant Singh, who allegedly fired at Gandhi, was killed by commandos on the scene.

Afghan rebels reported in major new offensive

ISLAMABAD. – Afghan guerrilla attacks on Communist military posts in the Panjsher Valley have developed into a major offensive inflicting heavy losses on Kabul's army, Western diplomats said yesterday.

The rebels held off Soviet commandos trying to push them out of the Puzhghur military post which they captured last month and had forced Communist troops further down the valley, the diplomats said.

Reports reaching Kabul said most of the 400 Afghan soldiers sent to retake the post were killed or surrendered and several hundred reinforcements were killed, wounded or captured, they said.

The diplomats said they thought the Soviet army, which took the valley floor in an all-out offensive in April 1984, would probably launch another assault to reestablish its slipping control.

Islamic guerrillas in the Panjsher are commanded by Ahmadshah Masoud, who has been credited with inflicting many defeats and setbacks on the Soviets (Reuter, AP)

Biography says Tito's WWII reputation was based on lies

LONDON (Reuter). – The reputation of Yugoslav leader Josip Tito, hailed in the West as war hero and world statesman, has been attacked by a British writer who says it was founded largely on lies and distortions.

Tito's death in 1980 was marked in many Western countries with a regret normally reserved for firm allies. He was praised for his World War II exploits, for unifying his country, for giving a voice to the non-aligned world, and as the architect of a unique bridge between capitalism and communism.

However, Nora Beloff says in a new biography, *Tito's Flawed Legacy*, that he was a ruthless despot who exploited the turmoil of the war to destroy his rivals for power and later used the Non-Aligned Movement to advance the interests of Communism and the Soviet Union.

Beloff, a veteran writer on Eastern Europe and a former correspondent of the *Observer*, was expelled from Yugoslavia last year while researching the book. She was accused of importing banned literature and has since been branded a spy by the Yugoslav police, she says.

She says the book is based on evidence from a range of sources including dissidents, exiles, German and British archives and published memoirs.

Beloff charges that far from uniting his diverse country, Tito exploited its divisions to keep himself in power. Far from founding an economic system marrying communism and capitalism, he pushed his country into debt and economic disarray, she says.



President Tito

The meat of her book, however, concerns Tito's war record.

His partisans are widely credited with a heroic struggle against the Nazis and are said to have been the only resistance force to defeat them without help from allied armies.

By contrast, Beloff says Tito's priority was not to defeat the Germans, but to destroy his rivals, particularly the non-communist Chetnik forces and to prepare a communist takeover.

In late 1942, he even tried to strike a deal with the Germans to free all his forces to fight the Chetniks, but Hitler refused to agree, Beloff says.

He tricked Britain into backing him, but blocked plans for allied landings in Yugoslavia because he feared they would undermine his dominance, she says.

"Partly because of Tito's defiance of western strategists the war lasted longer in Yugoslavia than anywhere else in Europe. But by the time it ended, Tito had fulfilled his war aims. Any resistance against communist one-party rule was smashed."

Beloff concludes with an attack on Western governments for continuing to lend money to a regime which constantly criticizes Western values, and for refusing to speak out against what Beloff sees as its repression of dissent.

An *Observer* review of Beloff's book suggested she had gone too far in portraying Tito as a wartime villain. "The picture is not black and white," it said.

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
17.30 The 12th Maccabiah: Swimming
ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup
18.32 Situation – current affairs
18.45 Inventions and Innovations
19.00 Between Citizen and State
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HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with a news roundup
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20.30 Sign of the Time – crossword game
21.00 Mabat Newsreel
21.30 Moked
22.05 Paris when it Sizzles. Richard Quine's 1964 romance stars William Holden, Audrey Hepburn and Noel Coward
23.50 News
JORDAN TV (unofficial):
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ON THE AIR

Voice of Music

6.02 Morning Melodies
7.07 Mendelssohn: Fair Melusina; Bartok: Romanian Dances
7.30 Telemann: Suite in A minor for Flute and Strings; Mozart: Piano Concerto No.18 in B-flat major, K.456 (Serkin, English Chamber, Schneider); Beethoven: Symphony No.2 in D major, Op.36; Bartok: Dance Suite
9.30 Bach: Toccata and Fugue in E minor; Bartok: Violin Concerto No.2 (Perlman, London, Previn); Berlioz: Romeo and Juliet (Ludwig, Senechal, Ghiaurov, Mazzel)
12.05 Shoshana Cohen, piano – Bach: Partita No.2 in C minor; Chopin: Nocturne Op.55/2; Chopin: Mazurka, Op.30/3; Chopin: Fantasie Impromptue, Op.66; Prokofiev: Sonata No.2 in D minor, Op.14
13.00 Mozart: Concerto for 2 Violins and Orchestra K.190 (Stern, Zukerman, English Chamber, Barenboim); Mendelssohn: Sonata in D major for Cello and Piano, Op.58 (Harel, Levin); Miczek: Symphony in C major; Rachmaninoff: Piano Concerto No.4 in G minor, Op. 40 (Ashkenazy, London, Previn); Khachaturian: Suite from Spartacus
15.05 Contemporary Music
16.00 Tartini: Cello Concerto in D major; Haydn: Quartet No.2, Op.72; Schumann: Piano Concerto in A minor, Op.54; Dvorak: Symphonic Variations, Op.78 (London, Kertesz); Tchaikovsky: Excerpts from The Nutcracker Suite
18.30 Ludwigsburg Castle Concert – Zukerman, violin; Neikrug, piano – Mozart: Sonata in F major, K.376; Mozart: Grand Sonata in E major; Franck: Sonata in A major; Dvorak: Romantic Piece
20.05 The Birth and Development of the Quartet – Haydn and Beethoven (repeat)
21.00 Gluck: Iphigenie en Aulide, opera
23.00 Rameau: Gavotte and Variations in A minor; Melany: To Kiss My Thoughts, cantata; Beethoven: Piano Sonata No. 15 in D major; Telemann: Bura in Polish Style

First Programme

6.03 Programmes for Olim
7.30 Morning Concert (from Voice of Music)
9.30 Encounter – live family magazine
10.30 Programme in Easy Hebrew
11.10 Hebrew songs
11.30 Education for all
12.05 Oriental songs
13.00 News in English
13.30 News in French
14.06 Children's programmes
15.55 Notes on a New Book
16.05 Programme for Senior Citizens
17.12 Jewish Ideas
17.20 Everyman's University
18.10 Songs which last Forever
18.47 Bible Reading
19.05 Lesson in *Halacha*
19.30 Programmes for Olim
22.05 A Friend from the same Planet

Second Programme

6.12 Gymnastics
6.30 Editorial Review
6.53 Green Light – drivers' corner
7.00 This Morning – news magazine
8.05 Pass in Sandals – children's programme
9.05 House Call – with Rivka Michaeli
10.10 All Shades of the Network – morning magazine
12.10 Open Line – news and music
13.00 Midday – news commentary, music
14.06 Matters of Interest – with Gabi Gazit
15.05 Magic Moments – favourite old songs
16.10 Safe Journey
17.10 Economics Magazine
18.06 Spotlight
18.45 Today in Sport
19.05 Today – radio newsreel
19.35 Army and Defence Magazine
20.05 Development Town
21.15 Song for the Road
22.05 Stage and Screen
23.05 Night Games

Army

6.10 Morning Sounds
6.30 University on the Air
7.07 "707" – with Alex Aviski
8.05 Morning Newsreel
9.05 Right Now – with Rafi Reshef
11.05 The Old Days – with Orly Yaniv
13.20 Israeli Style – with Eli Yisraeli
15.05 What's Doing – with Erez Tal
16.05 Four in the Afternoon
17.05 Evening Newsreel
19.05 Radio Radio – with Yoav Kutner
20.05 Foreign Language Hit Parade
21.00 Mabat – TV Newsreel
21.30 University on the Air (repeat)
22.05 Popular songs
23.05 A Day with Fighter Helicopters (repeat) 00.05 Night Birds – songs, chat

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM 4.30, 7.30, 9.30
Eden: I am the Law; **Edison:** Rambo; **Habira:** Up Your Anchor 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **Lupu** 10.30 a.m.; **Kfir:** A View to a Kill 4, 6.45, 9.15; Karate Kid 10.30 a.m.; **Mitchell:** Witness 7.15, 9.30; **Orgil:** Cria Cuervos 9.30 p.m.; Alice in Wonderland 11, 5, 7; **Orna:** You're in the Army Girls; **Ron:** Blade Runner 9.30 p.m.; Hasamba 4.30, 7.30; Banana Joe 10.30 a.m.; **Semadar:** Amadeus 6.30, 9.15; **Binyenei Ha'uma:** That's Entertainment 6, 9; **Cinema One:** Double feature/1 ticket: Beverly Hills Cop 3:30; Who Finds a Friend Finds a Treasure 5.15; Double Feature/1 ticket: Candid Camera 10 a.m.; King Kong 11.30 a.m.; Thief of Hearts 7.30, 9.30; **Belt Agron:** Time Bandits 10 a.m.; Raiders of the Lost Ark 11.30 a.m.; Sound of Music 4; Wuthering Heights 7.30; Kramer vs. Kramer 9.30; Beverly Hills Cop 12 midnight; **Cinematheque:** Three Days of the Condor 7; King Lear 8 (small hall); Casablanca 9.30; **Israel Museum:** Cinderella and the Blue Puppy 11, 4

TEL AVIV 5, 7.30, 9.30
Allenby: Nine Beds of the Ninja; **Ben-Yehuda:** Breakfast Club; **Chen 1:** Police Academy II 6, 7.55, 9.55; Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs 11, 2, 4.10; **Chen 2:** Fantasia 11, 2, 4.30, 7.35, 9.45; **Chen 3:** Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs 6.15, 8.15; The Famous Five 11, 2, 4.30; **Chen 4:** Camila 7.40, 9.45; Alice in Wonderland 11, 2, 4.30, 6; **Chen 5:** Protocol 9.45; Hasamba 11, 2, 4.30, 6.05, 7.40; **Cinema One:** Up Your Anchor; **Cinema Two:** Falling in Love 5, 7.15, 9.30; **Dekel:** Brazil 7, 9.30; **Drive-In:** Cinderella 8; Up Your Anchor 10 p.m.; Sex film 12 midnight; **Esther:** Morons from Outer Space; **Gat:** The Killing Fields 6.45, 9.30; Golden Seal 11, 3.30,5; **Gordon:** Kaos 4.15, 7, 9.45; **Hod:** Rambo 4.45, 7.15, 9.30; **Lev I:** Amadeus 3.30, 6.30, 9.30; **Lev II:** El Norte 1.45, 5, 7.30, 9.40; **Limor:** Opening soon; **Mazda:** Up Your Anchor; **Mograbi:** You're in the Army Girls; **Orly:** Witness 4.45, 7.30, 9.30; **Paris:** Hotel New Hampshire 7.30, 9.30; **Watership Down** 12, 2, 4; **Peer:** Never Ending Story 3.30, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30; **Shahaf:** Mask 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Studio:** Lady Hawke 5, 7.15, 9.30; **Tamar Hamehudash:** Montenegro 7.15, 9.30; **Tchelet:** Full Moon in Paris 5, 7.30, 9.40; **Tel Aviv:** A View to a Kill 4.15, 7, 9.30; **Zafon:** Passage to India 6.15, 9.30; **The Israel Experience:** Terms of Endearment 6, 8, 9 (English); 7 (German)

HAIFA 4.30, 7, 9.15
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RAMAT GAN
Armon: You're in the Army Girls 5, 7.30, 9.40; **Lily:** Never Ending Story 5, 7.15, 9.30; **Oasis:** The Killing Fields 9.30 p.m.; Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs 11, 5, 7; **Ordea:** A View to a Kill 4.15, 7, 9.30; **Ramat Gan:** Cotton Club 7, 9.30; **Rav-Gan 1:** Police Academy II, 7.45, 9.50; Fantasia 11, 3, 5.20; **Rav-Gan 2:** Camila 7.45, 9.50; Golden Seal 11, 3.10, 5.45; **Rav-Gan 3:** Fantasia 7.45, 9.45; Police Academy II, 5.15; Alice in Wonderland 11, 3.15; **Rav-Gan 4:** Passage to India 6.30, 9.30; Undercover Kids 11, 3.10, 5

HERZLIYA
David: Witness 7.30, 9.30; Bilby 11 a.m., 5; **Hechal:** Up Your Anchor 7.30, 9.30; Hasamba 5; **Tiferet:** Bachelor Party 4.30, 7.30, 9.30;

HOLON
Migdal: Police Academy II 7.40, 9.40; Fox and the Hound 5; **Savoy:** Up Your Anchor 5.30, 7.30, 9.30

BAT YAM
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WHAT'S ON

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Return to Zagreb

By ESTHER HECHT
Jerusalem Post Reporter



(Debbie Cooper)

Non-Jewish staff at the Jewish Old Age Home in Zagreb.

THE JEWS of Zagreb are part of a dying community, and in time all traces of their ever having existed may be obliterated. Of a vibrant community numbering 12,000 souls before World War II, just a few hundred families remain.

And because of a shortage of burial places in the Mirogoj municipal cemetery of Zagreb, the remains of Jews buried in the Jewish section are being dug up and reinterred in mass graves, with their crypts being sold to non-Jews.

Mirko Taussig, a native of Zagreb and now an Israeli, recently returned to Yugoslavia for the first time since he left in 1948. An important reason for the trip was his desire to see again the grave of his father, Hinko, who died in 1935 and was buried in Mirogoj. Mirko's mother, three brothers and a sister were murdered by the Nazis; their burial places are unknown.

Mirko remembered the Jewish section of Mirogoj as a place of exceptional beauty. Many of the family crypts were marked by massive, polished granite headstones; some graves were even adorned by bronze or stone statues.

As he passed through the iron gate in the high stone walls surrounding the cemetery it appeared at first that not much had changed, but as he walked towards his father's grave, he was surprised to see tombstones marked with crosses.

Walking to the far edge of the Jewish section, he was reassured to see the granite "Moses," created by Maestrovic, Yugoslavia's foremost sculptor; which he remembered from his childhood. With one finger of his bent right arm, Moses points to the twin tablets of the Law which he holds in his left arm. Someone had stuck a bouquet of pink flowers in the crook of the left arm, lending the imposing statue an inappropriately rakish air.

Behind the statue was a recent addition, a low granite wall with a Hebrew inscription: "In memory of the Jewish soldiers who fell in the war against fascism, and of the Jewish victims who were killed by the Croatian fascists." It was a terse tribute, thought Mirko, to immeasurable courage and suffering.

When he finally reached his father's grave, he found it as he remembered it, with a modest stone marker that had been weathered by time. He was shocked, however, to see that the grave next to his father's, though marked by an old headstone bearing the name of a Jewish family, was freshly dug.

While Mirko stood talking with a stonemason about repairs to his father's grave, he heard the loud strains of a brass band. The musicians aproached at a brisk pace, followed by a hand-drawn cart carrying a casket, behind which came a crowd of mourners. The procession stopped at the open grave next to Hinko's.

In a service conducted by a priest, the gentile corpse was laid to rest in the Bornstein family crypt, and as the grave was filled, a temporary marker in the shape of a cross was erected behind the headstone.

When Mirko spoke to a family friend in Zagreb, about this episode, he was told that if it were not for her efforts, his father's remains, too, might have been removed.

"The cemetery extends for miles and miles," she said, "but there is simply not enough room in it to meet the needs of the city. The cemetery belongs to the municipality, but the crypts are private property, and remain so as long as the annual fees – about $6.50 – are paid.

"For many Jewish families, there is simply no one left to pay the fee, so, after 30 years of burial, the remains may be dug up and the crypt sold to someone else. Even if there is someone left, that person is likely to be old and poor and may not be able to afford the fee, and so may be persuaded to sell the crypt.

"As for your father's grave, the authorities have urged me repeatedly to sell it, accusing me of maintaining it for my own eventual use."

Of the three original divisions of the cemetery – Jewish, Christian and Moslem – only the Moslem section remains unmixed, she added. Just as Christians can buy Jewish crypts, so Jews can – and do – buy crypts in the Christian section.

A recently constructed crematorium should take some of the pressure off the Mirogoj cemetery, but the Jewish tombstones – among the last visible traces of a vanishing community – which have been replaced by Christian markers, are gone forever.

A QUIRK of fate (or history) has led to another case of ironic mixing in Zagreb. At the Ladoslav Scwarz Jewish Old Age Home, nuns who are trained nurses tend the chronically ill. Geriatric care at the institution, which is the only Jewish old-age home in Yugoslavia, is considered to be the best in Zagreb.

Named after the man who built the first Jewish old-age home in Yugoslavia, the Scwarz home was built with aid from the Joint Distribution Committee, and is maintained by the JDC, the local Jewish community and residents who can afford to pay a fee. One elderly woman there came to the home after living for many years in Jerusalem, where she ran a successful bakery.

A cabinet in the spotless corridors of this home displays crafts created by the residents. Among the many Jewish ritual items is an exquisitely embroidered *halla* cover with the label, "Josipa Sulhof, age 85." These items, together with the frail inhabitants of the home, are the living relics of a once-thriving Jewish community.

Revelation received

MUSIC / Eli Karev

MESSIAH by Handel in the Sound of Choirs series (Tel Aviv Museum, July 9). Cameran Singers and the Kibbutz Chamber Orchestra, Avner Itai conducting. Soloists: Miriam Meltzer, soprano; Catherine Wyn-Rogers, alto; Frieder Lang, tenor; Yaron Windmüller, baritone.

WHAT IS it that drives music lovers to attend an umpteenth presentation of the same work? The chance to enjoy the piece again, yes. For many, however, it is also the hope of a revelation – something about the performance that could add a hitherto unexperienced sensation to the familiar music.

The capacity audience at the Tel Aviv Museum's Recanati Auditorium for Handel's most popular oratorio received both.

There was an admirable rendition of the choral score by the Cameran Singers, whose emphasis on clarity and brilliance – a bit too much of the latter in the bright museum acoustics – did not preclude glowing, beautifully rounded sonority in the soft passages.

Avner Itai led the proceedings with unobtrusive authority. The Kibbutz Chamber Orchestra provided generally dependable instrumental support, with young Shalev Ad-El commuting briskly between the harpsichord and the organ, as he took care of the harmonic backbone.

British alto Catherine Wyn-Rogers proved to be the uncontested heroine of the evening. Her velvety, expressive voice is a joy. More significantly, the singer imbued her part with musicality and emotional sincerity. So captivating was her identification with the work's dramatic essence, that for a while there seemed to be no better – indeed, no other – way to relate to this music.

Naturally, it was a hard artistic act to follow. The strong, smooth tenor of Frieder Lang projected well; yet his expressive scope remained frustratingly limited. Miriam Meltzer demonstrated admirable vocal skill, but there was no way of disregarding the thin timbre of her soprano.

At the other end of the spectrum, Yaron Windmüller's almost incomprehensible enunciation and modest technical means did little to defend his selection for the bass part.

PRAISE FOR DEMOCRACY

By GREER FAY CASHMAN / Jerusalem Post Reporter

NO POLITICAL system allows individuals and nations to advance better than democracy, says Jose Antonio Rompro Feriz, whose country returned to the democratic fold in December 1983 after seven years of totalitarian rule.

Rompro Feriz is governor of the Argentinian province of Corrientes and a newspaper publisher; he was here in Israel recently as part of a 120-member Argentinian delegation who came to see a Jewish National Fund project.

The delegation unveiled a monument in Eshtaol, near the Shimshon junction, to Jose de San Martin (1778-1850), who fought for the independence of South America. San Martin and Simon Bolivar led the Argentine, Chilean and Peruvian revolutions against Spain. One of the aims of the JNF project is to strengthen the bonds between Argentina and Israel – two countries that have broken free of foreign rule.

In 1983, when Argentina's military junta was replaced by civilian rule, Raul Alfonsin became the country's president. He was scheduled to come with the delegation but dropped out at the last minute. There was speculation that he wanted to avoid a backlash from Arab countries trading with Argentina.

Rompro Feriz rejects this suggestion, explaining that pressing economic matters had kept Alfonsin at home. He noted that his president had also cancelled a trip to Geneva to address the International Labour Organization. He also defended Alfonsin's imposition of stringent economic measures, aimed at reducing Argentina's debilitating foreign debt and skyrocketing inflation, both of which are among the highest in the world.

Yet the two men are political rivals, belonging to different parties, and Rompro Feriz makes no secret of his ambitions to replace Alfonsin as president.

Rompro Feriz says that when democracy fails, the politicians who claim to embrace democracy are at fault, and not democracy itself.

Vacation choices



Furs, fins and feathers

by D'vora Ben Shaul

SUMMERTIME and vacation time, and thousands of families will be travelling in Israel and abroad. What does one do with the pets? Well, if it's a budgie bird or a canary, or if it's a tank of tropical fish, then the best thing is to get a friend to look in every day or so. Birds can be fed once in two days with good-capacity food and water dishes, and fish certainly need not be fed oftener than that.

But if the pet is a dog or a cat, or even something more exotic like a cage of mice or guinea pigs or a pet snake, then there's a little more to be taken into account. You really have three choices: take it with you, leave it with a friend or put it in a kennel.

Now a dog can, while travelling in the country, often be taken along. If you're camping, it's not really a problem, but remember to take a good stout line to restrain the animal at campsites. Many hotels welcome doggy guests. The Dagon Hotel in Ashkelon used to have a sign saying "Since no dog has ever stolen the towels or silverware, nor have they insulted the staff, we welcome canine visitors." I stayed there with a large German Shepherd a few years ago, and the stay was lovely. The kitchen staff, unasked, even provided a doggy bag of meat scraps every day after lunch.

You can take a dog along sometimes, but not a cat. So then you come to the other two choices. Do you leave them with someone? Or do you board them out commercially? Most people are convinced that the animal will be happier in someone's home than in a boarding kennel. I am not sure that this is true, and having operated such a facility for years, I know the secret that no one dares tell the fond pet owner, and that is that their pet settles down quite happily to kennel life and doesn't spend much time pining. Animals are realists, it seems.

The main problem of leaving the dog or cat with someone is the matter of responsibility, and I've seen a number of friendships terminated because of the cat that ran away and got lost or the dog that got off leash and was run over. And while you can claim compensation from a kennel (as if compensation could ever be enough), you can't really do this with a friend. The truth is that unless friends are experienced with animals, it's hard for them to be responsible for keeping a pet that doesn't want to be kept in.

THE OBJECTION to kennels is usually the expense, but people try to find other reasons. A kennel should be carefully checked out before trusting one with a pet, but most people ask all the wrong questions, concentrating on whether they walk the dog etc. rather than cleanliness, type of diet fed, handler attitude and, most important, who is their vet.

Many kennels take both dogs and cats, and the Sha'ar Hagai Kennel near Jerusalem has also been known to board parrots, snakes, guinea pigs, hamsters and other less usual pets.

If you decide to leave your pet with someone, be sure to supply the food your pet likes, it's own food dish, blanket, flea powder, brush, etc. You should also give the pet to them a couple of days earlier than your departure, because often, after 24 hours, people decide they really can't keep the animal. In any case, whoever you leave the pet with, you should leave them the telephone number of your vet, and you should tell them that if *for any reason* they cannot take care of the pet, they should place it in a kennel. You should tell them, also, which kennel you prefer.

If you decide on kennel boarding, then do visit the facility in advance. Look at the kennels. Are they clean? Is there an overpowering odour of disinfectant? Like nursing homes, kennels often cover up the lack of good sanitation with quantities of lysol. A good kennel does not need this since soap and water is adequate if applied with a good brush and a strong elbow. A lot of pet owners get hysterical over the fact that their pet is going to miss them. Of course it does. But in 15 years of experience with this situation, I have yet to see a dog or cat that pined so badly that it couldn't be coaxed into eating and even playing. This is why handler attitudes are so important, far more than the kennel size.

Remember that if you are planning to kennel board your pet, it must have all its vaccinations up to date. Not just rabies vaccination as required by law, but distemper, leptospirosis and hepatitis shots for dogs and parvo virus inoculation, and panleukopenia and gastroenteritis shots for your cat.

By and large I prefer to kennel my pets and be safe. The exception to this is the very old dog or the very young puppy. Both of these do best in a home. However, it's hard to find a friend who is willing to continue the house training of a pup, and this is an important factor. One really should try not to acquire a puppy just before going on vacation. Interrupted training at this age can make for a very long, confused training period in the future. If, however, there is no choice, then try to get a kennel that has outdoor pens with earthen areas so the puppy does not acquire the habit of relieving itself on a floor, since this is a habit that is hard to break.

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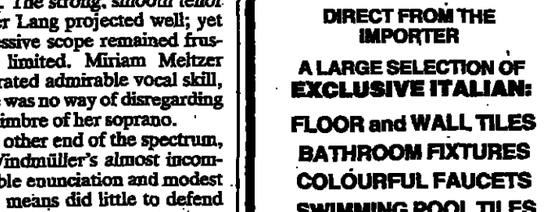
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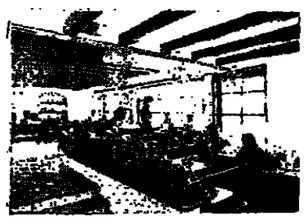
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SHE FLIES THROUGH THE AIR. – Kim Engel, 19, U.S., dives off the high board. She won two gold medals in the 12th Maccabiah diving competition yesterday. (Guthmann)

Yanks strike gold

By PAUL KOHN

TEL AVIV. – The first gold medals of the 12th Maccabiah Games were won by American divers off the 3 and 10m. boards at the Tel Aviv Country Club yesterday.

A really high-class performance by Kim Engel, a blonde 19-year-old student at the University of Miami, delighted and amazed the audience. She won two gold medals on her Maccabiah debut in both the womens 3m. and high board. Kim is ranked No. 2 in the U.S. in the 3m. and No. 3 in the 10m., and has represented her country in international competitions in East Germany, China and the USSR.

"But it is here that I am on a high. I love every minute of it, and at the Opening Ceremony I was laughing and crying with happiness all the time," the attractive diver told me.

In both diving events, Laurie Israel, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, took second place. Mindy Kalchman of Toronto, Canada was third in the 3m., and Lucy Weroszylski of Mexico third in the high board.

David Cotton, 29, of Honolulu, Hawaii, won the 10m. board diving gold medal, but had to suffice with second place to Lewis Meyers of Richardson, Texas, in the 3m., who beat him by a narrow nine points. Cotton video-taped his diving "for my parents who could not come for the Maccabiah." Cotton, who is on his first trip to Israel, has achieved a ranking of 12 in the U.S.

In the 10m. event, Mark Fromson of Canada was second and Alejamiro Alajairo Voroszlaki of Mexico third. The Mexican won a second bronze medal in the 3m. diving.

The diving events were splendidly run by referee Geoffrey Sussman, of Melbourne, the chairman of the Australian Diving Association. "I was very happy with the standard of diving here," Sussman, who was referee at the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane in 1982, said.

'Little Flea' conquers crowd

By PAUL KOHN

TEL AVIV. – While experienced older divers collected the Maccabiah medals yesterday, it was "The Kid from Canada" who drew the greatest acclaim from both the experts and an enthusiastic crowd at the Tel Aviv Country Club.

Andre Sabah of Montreal is the youngest competitor in the 12th Maccabiah. He is 11 years old, stands 1.3m. and weighs 70 lbs., and the Canadian delegation have adopted him as their mascot, with the nickname of "The Little Flea."

The baby-faced diver, who began diving at the age of four, is deadly serious about the sport. "I want to be an Olympic diver and I am aiming for the 1992 Games," Andre told me. Already, he trains three hours daily five days a week, under professional coach Dezso Kiefer, who is here with his protege.

Sabah does about 40 dives from both the 3m. and 10m. boards during a training session. He narrowly missed Maccabiah medals yesterday, finishing 4th in the 10m. diving by only five points, and 5th in the 3m. event.

On training days, Andre leaves the Spring Garden School for the Dollard des Ormeaux Swim Club. The Maccabiah is Sabah's first international competition outside of Canada, though he did win three gold medals in the Canadian National Championships for competitors up to the age of 12. He won second place among seniors in the Quebec championships.

The highly experienced diving referee, Geoffrey Sussman, of Australia, said of Sabah yesterday, "He has incredible potential. Already he dares to do very difficult dives from both boards, which some men divers would not attempt. He performed extremely well here, and will do much better in the future."

From here, Sabah will go on to World Age Group Championships in the U.S.

Coach Kiefer, who went to Canada from Hungary, said Sabah is world championship material.

"But I am having trouble with the kid's feeding. He has to watch his diet. He needs to eat vegetables, fruit, meat and lots of fish. Yet he eats all kinds of junk, like cookies, candies and chocolates." Coach Kiefer grieved.



GRACEFUL FLEA. – Andre Sabah, the 11-year-old Canadian sensation. (Guthmann)

England, Aussies win with ease

Last Maccabiah runners-up England and Australia, who nurture great intentions, both had useful victories yesterday as the five-nation cricket competition got under way at the Maccabi Petah Tikva pitch and at Tel Aviv's Sportek.

England had a comprehensive win over Israel by 92 runs while Australia emerged from the tortuous Sportek wicket with a 38-run triumph over the highly fancied Maccabi Modi'im.

England enjoyed some especially good fortune after being put in by Israel on the placid Petah Tikva wicket and compiled 227-9. Having taken a long hard look at the devilishly slow wicket, the English captain Dennis David and his stylish No. 4 David Connick set up the win with an impressive 92-run 3rd wicket partnership. While David thrived on good luck and extremely poor Israeli catching, though the ground fielding was splendid, Connick played the innings of the match. Well-timed hooks and pulls, and lofted drives were much in evidence.

David's 62 included one six and four 4's while Connick struck three 6's and nine 4's in his 78. Twenty five useful runs came from the expansive frame of Steven Mollins. He then chipped in with a tidy spell of 3-40 in his maximum 10 overs as Israel fought well but were always way in arrears of the striking rate of 4.5 an over. Aaron Meyer was the best Israeli bowler with 3-38.



HOWZAT? Dennis David (GB) run out in Britain's match against Israel. (Guthmann)

Having lost both openers for only five, Solomon Erulkar (36) and the ever-elegant Isaac Solomon (63) batted competently to put on 69.

But with the gap between runs wanted and overs remaining growing apace, pressure on the middle order batsman was always too great for Israel. Schultz, Walters and Lederman all had tight spells to help contain the Israeli runrate and they were all out for 135 in 45.1 overs.

The Sportek wicket on which Australia played Modi'im was nothing short of atrocious, and, at times, downright dangerous. The ball on occasion flew over the batsman's head, even off a good length.

The main contributor to Australia's 136 in 49 overs was former Test star Julian Wiener, whose 39, in such conditions, was a remarkable innings, while Velleman chipped in with 25. Modi'im opener Alan Kruss returned the best figures of 4-26 with left-armer Howard Hurwitz conceding only eight runs in his 10 overs, during which he picked up two wickets.

Top Modi'im batsman Willie Kirsch and Ivan Wingreen went cheaply, and, although Jonathan Sieff (21) battled gamely, Moishe Ezekiel (3-22), Adam Burstin (2-18) and the ffighted spin of Mike Zusman (4-4 in 3.5 overs) brought Australia a well-deserved victory, when Modi'im were all out for 98.

Rugby enters the lists

By DAVID SILVERMAN

KIBBUTZ HA'OGEN. – Some 400 spectators gathered here today to mark the inauguration of rugby as an official Maccabiah Games sport.

With some four national teams (Israel, Australia, U.S. and Modi'im Maccabi) taking part in this single round-robin tournament, this promises to be a most exciting and entertaining week for Israeli rugby fans and players.

In the first match of the day, kicking off against Israel, Australia opened the scoring in the 16th minute with a penalty by David Solomon of Sydney, and went on to follow with two more tries (Solomon and Clive Ginsberg) one of which was converted.

In the second half, Israel replied with a penalty (by Ophir Halevi) but Australia followed with two more penalties (Solomon).

Despite their 3-19 loss the Israel team were without doubt a proud and worthy opposition.

In a hard-fought second game, Modi'im Maccabi facing the U.S. team, scoring was opened by Modi'im in the eighth minute with a try by winger Johnny Shajcher and then another by Charles Joffe.

The U.S. team replied with a try by Sam Levy of the Chicago Gryphthons, but Modi'im came back with a penalty put over by Joffe giving Modi'im a 11-4 half-time lead.

In the second half Modi'im's Joffe went on to score both a try and conversion followed by two more penalties. The U.S. team, however, with superior fitness scored in the closing minutes a try by Adam Brickner of the Univesity of Colorado giving a final victory of 23-8.

The Americans, a relatively unknown factor in international rugby, played a both powerful and keen game, lacking unfortunately the polish it needed to overcome the more experienced Modi'im team.

American coach Ray Cornbill on his team's performance said: "It's almost typical of early American rugby that the forwards do well but the back lack the necessary experience.

"Unfortunately, a lack of kicking ability cost us 15 points as did touch kicking in critical situations."

I am pleased with the performance, he said, promising to build on his team.



ANTI-GRAVITY. Ayal Weissblueth of Israel scores in the gymnastics. (Benzian)

Israel snatch gymnastics gold

By STEVE LEIBOWITZ

There was drama as the team gold in men's gymnastics went surprisingly to Israel at the Goldberg Sports Hall in Jerusalem last night. The U.S., having two of their team sidelined through injury, had to be content with the silver.

Ironically the U.S. team all had individual better scores than their Israeli conterparts but in the final two events the parallel bars and the floor exercise they could only enter four scores.

Brian Ginsberg, the strongest member of the U.S. squad had been injured in training just before the Games. He had still hoped to compete but pulled out five minutes before competition began when declared unfit.

Then on the bars Darryn Rembron fell while competing injuring his knee badly. Bravely as he tried he could not continue and the Israelis edged ahead.

FINAL SCORES: Israel 260.40 (gold medal), U.S. 257.3 (silver), Canada 248.35 (bronze).

At the end of the first round, the individual competition is headed by two U.S. gymnasts John Levy with 46.80 and Noah Riskin with 46.45.

Golf shocks

CAESAREA. – The Israeli team and a 19-year-old girl from Sweden provided the shocks on the opening day of the 12th Maccabiah golf tournament here.

The men's team competition is based on the best four scores of a team of six, playing 72 holes over a four-day period. Yesterday the U.S. took first place with 301, and Israel surprised themselves as well as their opponents by coming second with 305. Canada are third with 308.

In the individual competition the leaders are as follows: Robert Pomeranz (U.S.) 73; Richard Marsh (Canada) and Yaish Amar (Israel) 74; Alan Kugler (U.S.) and W. Holzman (Canada) 75.

The women's team competition is based on the best of two out of four scores in a 72-hole competition over four days. The U.S. lead with 157, Canada are second with 160 and Great Britain third with 168.

The individual leader is 19-year-old Jessica Posner of Sweden. Francine Epstein of the U.S. is second with 76. Terry Brecher and Dvora Goldsmith are tied for third place with 80.

Baseball strike threat

CHICAGO (AP). – The major league Baseball Players Association voted Monday to strike August 6 if no settlement is reached in its dispute with team owners over a new collective bargaining contract.

"The board decided that if no agreement has been reached by Tuesday, August 6, the players will strike effective with games of that date," acting executive director Don Fehr said after a four-hour board meeting.

Lee McPhail, the president of management's player relations committee, said owners "do not want a strike" and will make "every reasonable effort...to reach an agreement before the deadline."

The sports pages are edited by Philip Gillon and Yaron Kenan.

Third test fizzles out in draw

NOTTINGHAM (AP). – The third cricket Test between England and Australia at Trent Bridge petered out into a predictable tame draw yesterday, leaving the Ashes series locked at 1-1 with three Tests to come and the prospect of an exciting climax.

The final day's play began 90 minutes late because of overnight and morning rain, virtually killing off the game and ensuring a draw. While England had no chance of winning, Australia's main hope lay in their bowlers breaking through early with the new ball.

But the delay put paid to the tourists' chance and England, who had begun the day on 8 without loss, batted out time to reach 196 for 2 at the close, a lead of 113. Tim Robinson was unbeaten on 77, with Mike Gatting on 35. Graham Gooch made 48 and David Gower 17.

Gower, whose team had collapsed on the second day of the match, losing their last eight wickets for 91 runs, commented: "To get bowled out for 456 after such a good start was disappointing. The tide swung back in their favour but it was always going to be a struggle to bowl a side out twice on that wicket."

Border once again ignored the critics by playing only four front-line bowlers. "That's between me and the rest of the guys. If it's the way to win a Test match, it's up to us," he said.

SCORES: England 456 and 196-2; Australia 539.

Cross-Pacific

HONOLULU (AP). – Nick Frazee's 68-foot sloop Swiftsure III crossed the finish line first on Monday to win the 3,560 km transpacific yacht race that began July 4 in Los Angeles.

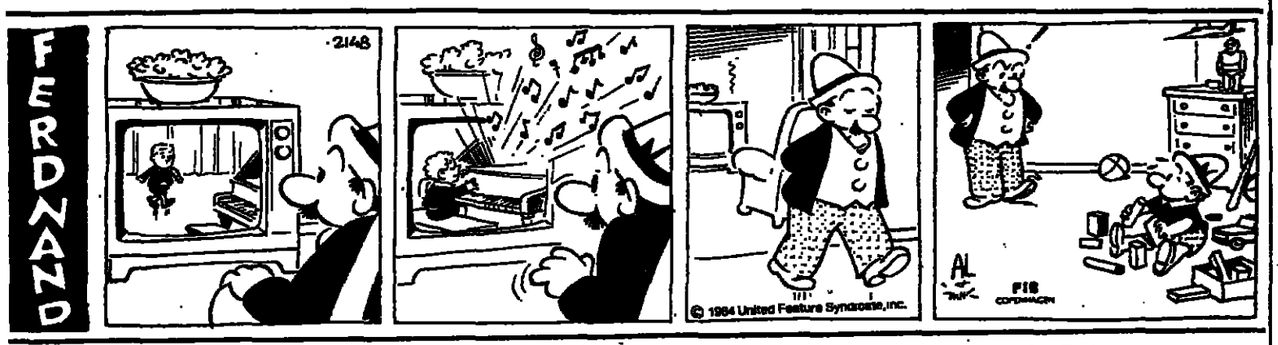
The California boat posted an elapsed time of 10 days, 19 hours, 21 minutes and 47 seconds.

VIPs

Among the persons attending the opening ceremony of the 12th Maccabiah at the Ramat Gan Stadium were Vice-Premier Shamir and Tel Aviv Mayor Lahat.

Today at the Maccabiah

BADMINTON
1000-1600 Sports Hall Ashdod
BASKETBALL – men
18.00 Switzerland vs Venezuela – Sports Hall Afula
20.00 Israel vs Canada – Sports Hall Afula
18.00 U.S.A. vs France – Brenner School Petah-Tikva
20.00 Brazil vs Germany F.R. – Sports Hall, Gan Hashlosha
20.00 Australia vs Argentina – Sports Hall, Rehovot
BASKETBALL – Women
18.00 Israel vs Australia – Sports Hall, Gan Hashlosha
CLAY PIGEON
09.00 Caesarea
CRICKET
09.00 Israel vs India – Maccabi Ground, Petah-Tikva
FENCING
09.00 – 17.00 Wingate Institute
FIELD HOCKEY – men
09.30 Belgium vs Holland – Wingate Institute
18.00 Israel vs Modi'im – Wingate Institute
FIELD HOCKEY – women
16.00 Modi'im vs Australia – Wingate Institute
17.30 Israel vs Argentina – Wingate Institute
FOOTBALL
17.30 Peru vs Gr.Britain – TA University
17.30 Israel vs Sweden – RG Stadium
17.30 Brazil vs Argentina – Winter Ground RG
19.30 Chile vs France – TA University
19.30 Holland vs Australia – RG Stadium
19.30 Venezuela vs Germany F.R. – Winter Ground RG
GOLF
09.00 Caesarea
GYMNASTICS – women
17.00 Goldberg Hall, Jerusalem
JUDO – men
17.00 Ussishkin Hall, TA
LAWN BOWLS – women
09.00 Kfar Hamaccabiah
LAWN BOWLS – men
09.00 Savyon
MINI-FOOTBALL – TA University
09.00 Austria vs Modi'im
10.30 Uruguay vs France
17.00 Canada vs Gibraltar
18.30 Israel vs Switzerland
20.00 Belgium vs Italy
ROWING
07.30; 18.00 Yarkon River TA
SHOOTING – men and women
09.00 RG Shooting range
SOFTBALL – Sportek TA
09.00 U.S.A. vs Venezuela
19.00 Canada vs Mexico
SQUASH – Kfar Hamaccabiah
09.00 Men Singles
11.00 Women Singles
16.30 Men Teams
SWIMMING – TA University
09.00 Preliminaries – TA University
17.00 Finals
100m Butterfly – men; 100m Freestyle – women
100m Backstroke – men; 400m Medley – women
200m Freestyle – men; 200m Backstroke – women
TABLE-TENNIS – Beit Halochem, TA
09.00 Israel vs Canada; Gr. Britain vs Germany F.R.
Australia vs Zaire; Argentina vs Venezuela
Norway vs Belgium; Venezuela vs Australia (women)
Gr. Britain vs U.S.A. (women)
15.00 Quarter-Finals
15.00 Australia vs Gr. Britain; Israel vs Venezuela (women)
18.30 Semi-finals
Gr. Britain vs Israel (women); U.S.A. vs Australia (women)
TENNIS 08.00 : 15.00 – ITC, Ramat Hasharon
VOLLEYBALL – men
20.00 Mexico vs Argentina – Ariel Sports Hall
20.00 Israel vs Australia – Nahariya Sports Hall
VOLLEYBALL – women
18.00 Israel vs Sweden – Ariel Sports Hall
18.00 Brazil vs Venezuela – Nahariya Sport Hall
BRIDGE
15.00 Third round – Kfar Hamaccabiah
20.00 Fourth round – Kfar Hamaccabiah
CHESS
09.00 Third round – Sinai Hotel, TA
19.00 Third round – Sinai Hotel, TA



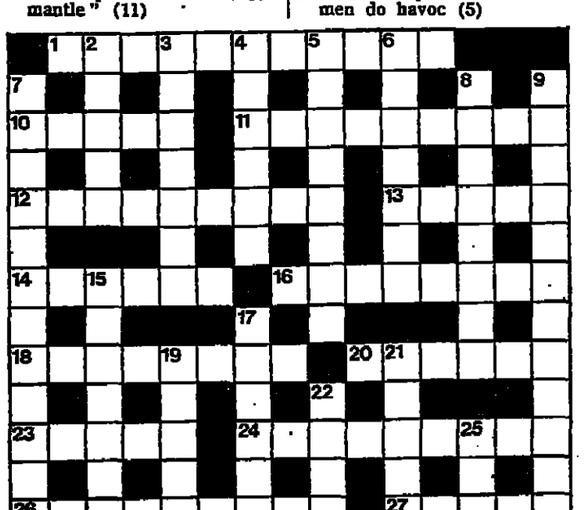
ONE-AND-ONE CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Document that can't be signed until the big fight is over (5, 6)
10 Heartbroken lover's converse (5)
11 Julienne served with herbs, maybe, at the start of a meal (5, 4)
12 All set to accept redundancy? (5, 2, 2)
13 Likely to go up in the air, I reckon (5)
14 Old Irish dance that's on its way out, apparently (6)
16 How one may judge fashion, incidentally? (2, 3, 5)
18 A drummer who expects to get commission (8)
20 Raging fire put out by a civil engineer (6)
23 Go to a wild part of New Zealand (5)
24 Ideologically what Tory governments have—or think they have? (5, 4)
26 Salvation Army joint rebuilt by an indomitable French maid (5, 4)
27 Cuban measure that's odd to a degree (5)
28 Blown-up version of "Greenmantle" (11)

DOWN

2 More or less important actor? (5)
3 Continually manage to cock a snook at society (5, 2)
4 Counts as a place of some importance in Arizona (6)
5 We agree to see this with someone else (3, 2, 3)
6 Dull sort of trash seen around in retrospect (7)
7 Tough bunch of mounted policemen (8, 5)
8 All-in fight from which nothing is excluded (5, 3)
9 A departure that can't be delayed if crime is to prosper (6, 7)
15 Slav territory that gives Malta aid (8)
17 Kind of cart taken over a Hebridean isle by R. L. Stevenson (8)
19 Dock in which one can get squash or tennis (7)
21 Termini switched for the time being (7)
22 A flip that takes some beating (3, 3)
25 Wicked impulse that makes men do havoc (5)



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Eilat 72333	Rehovot 451333
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Double-play

By STEVE LEIBOWITZ

A game ending double play on a tag-up fly ball to Israeli right fielder Paul Goodman got Israel out of a pickle and sent the softball tourney off to a nerve-tingling start as they triumphed 11-8 over Venezuela at Sportek yesterday morning. Three Venezuelans were left stranded on base.

Israel's winning hit came in the 6th inning with a home run from Tito Schulewitz. The winning pitcher was Ari Kantrowitch.

Defending champions Argentina romped home in the second game of the day with an 8-1 victory over Mexico.

The fancied Canadians and U.S. were idle and have their first outings today.

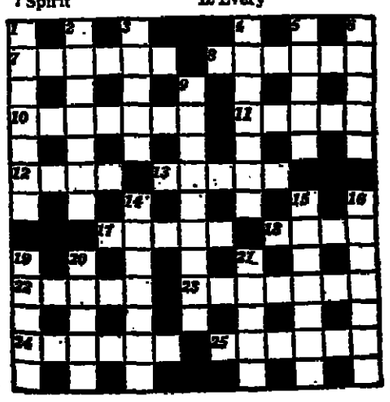
QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS

7 Spirit
8 Operative
10 Rushing stream
11 Reception room
12 Every
13 Easily angered
17 Scope
18 Cipher
22 Hinder
23 Figure
24 Meddle
25 Superficial refinement

DOWN

1 Suffocate
2 Allure
3 Navy
4 Wife or husband
5 Art
6 Trademark
9 Rigorous
14 Wed
15 Condemned
16 Forsaken
19 Girl's name
20 Impress
21 Warning light



Yesterday's Solution



Quick Solution

ACROSS: 1 Soled, 4 Short, 10 interne, 11 Remit, 12 Dirge, 13 Average, 15 Sore, 17 Pasta, 19 Gavel, 22 Trap, 25 Relapse, 27 Pylon, 28 Pagan, 30 Caramel, 31 Edict, 32 Slang. DOWN: 2 Otter, 3 Earnest, 5 Horse, 6 Rummage, 7 Windy, 8 Lehar, 9 Steep, 14 Vega, 16 Oats, 18 Alleged, 20 Apparel, 21 Tripe, 23 Reach, 24 Angle, 26 Panic, 28 Lemon.

U.S. investor scores ten out of ten in Israeli high-technology ventures

By PINHAS LANDAU
Post Finance Reporter

Robert Slavitt has established as good a track record as anyone could ask in his four years of investing in Israeli high-tech companies – all ten of his projects to date are showing good progress, and some are far ahead of even the most optimistic hopes.

Now the *investor of Potomac*, Maryland has decided that his record speaks for itself and he is beginning to spread the idea of business investments in Israel among a far wider circle than his own friends and communities in the Washington area. He has taken on a partner who is traversing the U.S., contacting Jewish stockbrokers and investment bankers and explaining in cold business language why and how these investments can be such money-spinners.

Slavitt is presently in Israel on what he calculates to be his 17th trip in the last six years. Long active in the Jewish community for philanthropic causes, he visited Israel first under UJA auspices in 1979. What he learned on that trip and the contacts he made persuaded him that he should be doing business with Israel directly.

His breakthrough came in 1981, when he put together his first deal with the Elco company of Ramat Gan. In a typically-structured deal, Elco contributed the technology and Slavitt became a general partner, heading a limited partnership of American investors, who put up $2.6 million. This sum was matched by the office of the Chief Scientist, a government organization that promotes R&D investments.

The project in question involved an Israeli invention which put artificial intelligence into an industrial robot used for arc-welding. While specialized, this achievement had a clearly defined market and today, four years later, it is being marketed in the U.S., with some of the largest American and Japanese corporations also seeking to obtain marketing rights.

Slavitt and his investors get royalties from the sales. If the company advances far enough to go public and issue shares, they "get in on the ground floor" and obtain an equity stake in the company prior to the public offering.

The U.S. investors are in a no-lose position from the word go, because of the generous provisions of American tax law, which allow them to write off their investments as they are made. Thus, for every $100,000 the partnership puts up, the Chief Scientist lends it a further $100,000 (at 5% for 12 years, with no interest payable for 42 months and the principle repayable after 12 years, followed by the deferred interest) and the entire $200,000 may be written off against tax. For those in a marginal tax rate of 50%, the investor's original $100,000 may be written off, almost in toto, in the year it is made.

Other than not losing, the deals are structured so that – if the companies in question deliver the goods – the investment is returned through royalties within four years or so. If the company is extremely successful and goes public, then the original investors clean up a very tidy profit.

The important part is trying to find the companies that are going to be either successful or very successful, since that is what this form of seed-money investment is all about.

Slavitt's record shows that he has mastered his art. He explains that *the secret is based, first and foremost*, on professionalism. Each situation that he ends up investing in takes him "half a year of my life" to put together.

An Israeli company, World Technology Corporation, does screening for him and presents him with investment possibilities that it feels have both technological feasibility and definite marketing potential. Each of these is a necessary condition, but not sufficient by itself.

Slavitt then does further research on the suggestions, often bringing in further experts, whether Israeli or American. Only when all the screening and assessments are done, and the idea has been picked over from every angle, does he go about raising funds for it.

In his ten deals to date, he has raised about $15m. from his limited partnerships, with the Chief Scientist doubling that sum through his loans. He says that 90% of his investors are Jewish, but that he presents the projects as investment opportunities that stand in their own right. The fact of their being in Israel serves as a sweetener, but the tax benefits form the underpinning of *the whole scheme*.

Last year, in his most ambitious deal, Slavitt put together a basket of five projects in one package. He is now seeking to repeat the success which that deal turned out to be (three of the companies are doing outstandingly well, while the other two are also OK) and raise $10m. in one shot (with another $10m. from the government).

His horizons are now widening and Robert Slavitt is sending out the word from Washington to points west: it is possible to invest in Israel, do well and feel good. No sweat.

AIRLINE BRIEFS

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Aviation Reporter

EL AL has joined an Iata computer system designed to locate lost luggage. The system, called Bahamas, has already helped find a teddy bear, *the company's spokesman* said. A 27-year-old passenger had never parted with it, but when she flew on her honeymoon, the suitcase was sent to London, rather than Manchester. The suitcase, and the teddy bear called Pooie, were found within two days.

THE AIRPORTS AUTHORITY saved $324,000 of the money earmarked for building a new control tower and installing a new radar system. The original estimate came to $4.2 million, but the chairman of the board of directors, Arieh Grozbord, managed to save $227,900 on the radar system and $96,800 on the control tower.

A RECENT SURVEY showed that New York's Kennedy Airport handled the highest volume of freight, followed by Chicago's O'Hare and Los Angeles International airports. Frankfurt's airport came next – making it the largest in Europe. It was followed by Tokyo's Narita, Paris's Charles de Gaulle, Miami, Heathrow in London and Amsterdam's Schiphol.

SWISSAIR recently published a list of kosher restaurants and hostels in 22 European countries, including the East Bloc. The list prepared in *cooperation with British Chief Rabbi* Sir Immanuel Jakobovitz, includes hundreds of hotels, restaurants and shops as well as the names and addresses of the chief rabbis in various towns. In Rumania, for example, there are 12 kosher restaurants and two kosher hotels.

JAPAN AIRLINES and El Al recently concluded a seminar for some 150 travel agents to boost travel to Japan for the Expo' 85 exhibition.

BRITISH AIRWAYS said the number of passengers to Israel had risen by 6% in June, but was likely to drop by 3% or 4% during July and August. Officials had hoped for an increase in the number of summer passengers here and therefore arranged for an extra weekly flight, but they maintained the projected drop was not serious.

SABENA recently began representing Zaire's Tourism Ministry in Israel to promote visits there. It will represent Zaire (a former Belgian colony) also in South Africa, the U.S. and Japan.

DATA BANK. – Aurec Golnet, which supplies international data, bank and electronic mail services, is now celebrating its first anniversary here. The firm has over 1,200 clients, representing more than 200 firms and plants in Israel.

Shares run amok on low index

MARKET COMMENT

By PINHAS LANDAU

TEL AVIV – *The boom atmosphere* gathered steam in yesterday's share trading, with rising issues swamping declining ones and volume rising strongly. The bond market was almost non-existent as at half-year *the exchange reorganizes the series* of bonds which are put in each group for trading purposes, according to the length of time until maturity. Index-linked bonds may come under severe selling pressure when the trading resumes, as the lower than expected June index couples with the now-strengthened price freeze to depress demand for linked investment vehicles. The dollar continues to sink against the shekel, so that dollar-linked investments are currently even less popular than index-linked ones.

In the "arrangement" sector of dollar-linked bank shares prices fell and yields rose back to the 16% level.

This was, however, the only part of the share market to show any weakness. Everywhere else, prices surged ahead by margins of 10% and often more. Sectoral gains of 5-7% were commonplace and the non-"arrangement" bank sector's blast of 11.11% was the best of the day. 14 issues rose for every one that fell, and outside of the "arrangement" group there were almost no declines.

MARKET STATISTICS

Indices

General Share Index	263.27	+0.44%
Non-Bank Index	292.75	+5.80%
Arrangement	252.90	−2.20%
Real Estate	281.55	+7.89%
Industrials	324.07	+5.40%
Investment Cos.	258.50	+5.79%
Oil Exploration	356.68	+6.03%

Turnovers:

Shares – total	IS933S.6m.	(IS6835.3m.)
"Arrangement"	IS3860.3m.	(IS2919.2m
Non-bank	IS5475.3m.	(IS3916.1m.)
Bonds – Total	IS 769.9m.	(IS5068.2m.)
Index-linked	IS 280.9m.	(IS3271.5m.)
Dollar-linked	IS 489.0m.	(IS1796.7m.)
Treasury Bills	IS34291.7m.	(IS1492.4m.)

Movements:

Advances	368	(322)
of which 5% +	227	(172)
"buyers only"	46	(58)
Declines	27	(32)
of which 5% –	4	(1)
"sellers only"	2	(1)
Unchanged	60	(87)
Trading Halt	21	(34)

"Arrangement" yields:

IDB reg.	15.96%
Union 0.1	15.29%
Discount A	15.34%
Mizrahi r.	16.18%
Hapoalim r.	16.00%
General A	15.08%
Leumi IS100	16.12%
Fin. Trade IS1	13.68%

Bond Market Trends:

Index-linked	
4% fully-linked	Trading halt
3% fully-linked	in linked bonds
4.25% fully-linked	for purpose
80% linked	of reorganising
90% linked	"yield groups"
Double-linked	*for trading.*
Dollar-linked	
Admon	–
Rimon	–
Gilboa	–
For. Curr. denominated	Mixed to 1%
Treasury Bills (monthly yield)	10.98-13.43%

'Realistic' exchange rate to replace export grants

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Exporters' profitability will no longer be guaranteed by grants charged to the state budget but by the offer of a "realistic" rate of *exchange and low-interest loans in* foreign currency.

This was decided upon this week by the Treasury budget director Aharon Fogel and the director of the Investment Centre, Yoram Blizovsky. The centre is a unit of the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

The two officials told reporters that under the government's new economic policy, state subsidization of exporting activity will no longer take the form of grants from the special Export Financing Fund. Instead, exporters will be eligible for dollar loans at the so-called "Euro-plus-two-per-cent" rate, keyed to *the interest paid on Eurodollar* loans. As a result, credit in shekels will no longer be given.

Besides meeting the requirements of the new economic policy, removal of the subsidy from the exporters' *fund means Israeli compliance with* the recently signed Free Trade Area agreement with the U.S. That pact specifically prohibits direct subsidization of exporters' activities by either government.

The Treasury believes that the new method of assisting exporters will not make it harder for them to compete in world markets. It is also expected that exporters' profits will be ensured in the future as well, *since Finance Minister* Yitzhak Moda'i has promised them that any deviations from the government's wage control guidelines will be matched by updating the manufacturers' export exchange rate.

Hebrew University in select IBM project

A three-year proposal by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem to develop computerized working environments at the university has been chosen for implementation by IBM of Israel, it was announced by the university recently.

The university will cooperate with IBM researchers to develop innovative uses of computers for administration, teaching and research in a variety of technological and academic areas, including computer science, Jewish studies, neurobiology and social sciences. Some of these areas have never before had the benefit of computerization.

IBM of Israel will provide all necessary microcomputers, accessory equipment and communications networks to the university.

The Hebrew University is now joining a select company of only four centres in the world where this type of project is being carried out – three in the U.S. and one in West Germany. The work is expected to benefit Israeli higher education as well as the development of IBM computer systems.

The project will be headed by Prof. Catriel Be'eri of the department of computer science.

China borrows $2 billion from Japan

TOKYO (Reuter). – China has arranged to borrow $2 billion from a syndicate of 67 Japanese banks to finance part of its 1986/1990 development programme, the Bank of Tokyo has announced.

The 10-year loan facility, carrying interest at ¼% above the Loon Interbank offered rate (Libor) for the first six years can be drawn on during the five years from the date of signing.

It replaces a 1979 arrangement to borrow $2b. from 22 Japanese banks which expired last month without being used.

Bank of Israel exchange rates

July 16, 1985	IS
U.S. dollar	1484.0
British sterling	2062.0
German mark	515.19
French franc	169.56
Dutch guilder	457.81
Swiss franc	619.82
Swedish krona	176.36
Norwegian krone	177.37
Danish krone	143.21
Finnish mark	246.39
Canadian dollar	1100.3
Australian dollar	1054.4
South African rand	777.99
Belgian franc (10)	255.77
Austrian schilling (10)	723.93
Italian lire (1000)	974.54
Japanese yen (100)	623.66
Irish pound	1614.8
Spanish peseta (100)	893.12
Jordanian dinar	3706.3
Lebanese lira	94.310
Egyptian pound	994.28

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INTERBANK SPOT RATES:

US$	1.3885/1.3895	per £
DM	2.8795/2.8810	per $
Dutch G	3.2400/3.2420	per $
Swiss FR	2.3930/2.3945	per $
Belgian Con	57.99/58.20	per $
French FR	8.75/8.753	per $
Italian Lire	1866.00/1867.00	per $
Yen	237.60/237.75	per $
US$	1.02601.0265	per SDR

GOLD: $316.80

FORWARD RATES:

	$/£	SW.FR./$	DM/$
1 mon:	1.3830/42	2.3863/84	2.8723/—
3 mon:	1.3747/60	2.3747/68	2.8586/06
6 mon:	1.3641/56	2.3563/93	—/—

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July 16, 1985

D.J. Avg.	1347.89	+12.43
Transport	700.13	+10.88
Utilities	168.23	−0.41
Volume	132,683,800	

D.J. LIST

Alcoa	39⅞	−⅛
Allied Chem.	44½	+⅛
Amer Brand	65⅜	+⅜
Amer Can	59¾	+⅜
Amer Exp	47½	+1¼
Amer T & T	22½	+¼
Beth Steel	17¼	n.c.
Du Pont	58	−¼
East Kodak	46¼	+1
Exxon	52⅜	+⅛
Gen Elect.	62⅜	+1⅜
Gen Food	83⅛	+⅛
Gen Motors	68⅛	+1⅛
Goodyear	28⅛	−⅛
Intl Bus	128⅛	+2⅞
Intl Harv.	8⅜	n.c.
Intl Paper	50½	+⅛
Merck	116⅛	+½
MMM	79½	+1⅜
Intl Nickel	13⅞	+⅛
Owens	48½	n.c.
Procter Gam.	58⅛	+1¼
Chevron	36	−½
Sears	36⅞	+⅛
Texaco	35¾	+⅛
Union Carb.	47¾	−⅜
United Tech.	44⅛	+½
US Steel	27	+¼
Westinghouse	35¾	+⅛
Woolworth	46⅛	+⅛

GOLD & SILVER

Gold Fix	321.75	+5.90
Asa Ltd.	50	+¾
Homestake	25⅛	+⅛

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Amer Is Paper	6¾	−½
Ampal A	2⅛	n.c.
Ampal Pfd.	6	6½
Alliance	2⅛	n.c.
Bio Tech	7¼	7¾
Electronics Ord.	12⅛	n.c.
Elbit	9	+⅛
Elron Ord.	9	+½
Elscint	4½	+¼
Etz Lavud	30⅝	+½
Fibronics	14¼	−⅛
IDB Ord.	41	45
Interpharm	3½	3⅞
Laser Indus	11⅝	−¼
Optrotech	11¾	−⅜
Rada elec.	9½	9⅞
Scitex	14¾	+⅛
Taro-Vit	2⅛	2⅜
Teva	3	3⅛

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	Closing price	Volume IS1,000	% change
Commercial Banks (not part of "arrangement")			
OHH r	15125	20	+10.0
Maritime 1	2000	57	−3.3
Maritime 5	*818*	*420*	*+5.0*
Gen non-arr	27500	72	+10.0
N. Amer. 1	1676	b.o.1	+5.0
N. Amer. 5	660	256	+10.0
N. Am. op 1	3950	65	+12.9
Danot 1	934	b.o.1	+4.9
Danot 5	343	1800	+4.9
Danot sc 2	809	b.o.1	+4.9
FirstInt 5	2548	*7573*	*+15.0*
FIBI	2320	18788	+13.3
Commercial Banks (part of "arrangement")			
IDB r	65260	697	−2.0
IDB B r	67700	8	−2.9
IDB p A	407000	–	–
Union 0.1	49500	451	n.c.
Discount B r	84500	232	n.c.
Discount A r	84800	444	−1.4
Dis. B cn	9900	415	n.c.
Mizrahi r	26700	1985	−2.6
Mizrahi b	26900	102	−6.8
Mizrahi cn 9	12460	423	n.c.
Hapoalim p	55350	3	−4.6
Hapoalim r	44300	1199	−2.9
Hapoalim b	44290	140	−4.3
Gen'l A	116200	50	n.c.
Gen'l op 9	114400	20	n.c.
Gen'l cn 5	88000	60	n.c.
Gen'l cn 7	5440	52	−1.9
Leumi 0.1	28050	3928	−2.0
Leumi cn 9	39650	200	−0.1
Leumi cn 11	10970	331	n.c.
Fin. Trade	39900	3	n.c.
Fin. Trade 5	21100	1	n.c.
Mortgage Banks			
Adanim 0.1	3500	67	+4.4
Gen Mort r	5727	1026	+9.1
Gen Mort b	5660	25	+7.9
Carmel r	4300	7	n.c.
Carmel deb	1799	700	−3.0
Binyan	2651	88	+4.0
Dev.Mort	648	3023	+13.1
Mishkan r	3887	b.o.1	+5.0
Independence	3300	33	+7.1
Tefahot p r	7588	b.o.1	+5.0
Tefahot r	7762	33	+9.9
Tefahot d 1	4990	–	–
Tefahot d 2	2315	177	n.c.
Jaysour 1	583	151	+10.0
Jaysour 5	255	359	+4.1
Merav r	1262	304	+3.3
Financial Institutions			
Shilton r	192	10098	+15.0
Agric A	23320	1	+10.0
Agric C	148400	–	+2.8
Leumi Ind r	2790	b.o.2	+5.0
Leumi Ind b	56700	–	+9.7
Ind Dev P	352610	–	+4.1
Ind Dev C	212603	3	n.c.
Ind D CC	204875	–	+4.6
Ind D CCI	19800	–	+4.8
IND D D	64300	–	–
Ind D DD	no trading		
Contractor	2887	81	+5.0
Tourism	159000	–	+5.1
Clal L 0.1	2111	220	+9.3
Clal L 0.5	1280	20	+4.8
Clal L deb	9737	45	+0.3
Insurance			
Aryeh r	no trading		
Aryeh op	no trading		
A. sub deb	no trading		
Ararat 0.1 r	1279	158	+8.5
Ararat 0.5 b	913	b.o.1	+4.9
Reinsur 0.1	841	324	+5.0
Reinsur 0.5	450	900	n.c.
Hadar 1	814	772	+10.0
Hadar 5	304	4141	+10.1
Hassneh r	1739	8783	+15.0
Phoenix 0.1	5600	50	+2.0
Phoenix 0.5	2382	89	+10.0
Hamish 1	4850	–	–
Hamish 5	1600	43	+8.8
Hamish op	2134	90	+10.0
Yarden 0.1	no trading		
Yarden 0.5	no trading		
Menorah 1	10110	–	–
Menorah 5	2840	40	+5.2
Sahar r	1454	b.o.1	+5.0
Securitas r	3050	*186*	*+1.7*
Zur r	1227	293	+2.1
Zion H 1	4103	b.o.1	+5.0
Zion H 5	1208	140	+10.0
Trade & Services			
Trade			
InterGam 1	*1560*	39	*+1.3*
InterGam 5	615	100	n.c.
InterGam op	350	350	+6.1
Meir Ezra	2600	170	+8.3
Meir Exp	2200	100	+7.3
Teta 1	no trading		
Teta 5	no trading		
Clal Trade	901	11413	+10.0
Crystal 1	1527	1011	n.c.
Rapac 0.1	20000	–	+5.8
Rapac 0.5	5521	50	+5.0
Supersol 2	3381	2846	+9.4
Super B 10	1956	84	−10.0
Services			
Delek r	3091	2181	+10.0
Harel 1	2173	12	+10.0
Harel 5	1034	63	+10.0
Light. 0.1	7900	98	+8.2
Light. 0.5	2020	443	+3.6
ColdSto 0.1	1298	643	+10.0
ColdSto 1	386	3281	+2.9
Israel Elec	no trading		
BondW 0.1	3790	26	+9.9
BondW 0.5	930	372	+9.4
BondW op	650	438	+0.3
ConsortH 1	1168	b.o.2	+4.9
Consort 0.5	517	b.o.2	+4.9
Kopel 1	no trading		
Kopel op	no trading		
Hotels, Tourism			
GalZohar 1	no trading		
GalZohar 5	no trading		
DanHotel 1	4000	416	+8.1
DanHotel 5	3410	242	+7.1
Coral Beach	no trading		
Kenes	2123	20	+10
Yarden Hot	2930	95	+1.0
Yarden Hot	no trading		
Yahalom	339	b.o.1	+5.0
Computers			
Data	1417	b.o.1	+5.0
Hilon 1	5370	74	−0.4
Ya'ane	2536	b.o.1	+5.0
Ya'ane op	2070	b.o.1	+6.2
Clal Comp.	–	–	–
Clal C op	2100	31	+1.4
M.L.L. 1	5790	10	+7.1
M.L.L. 5	2420	214	+10
Mashov	1450	15	n.c.
Nikuv 1	3200	91	+6.7
Nikuv 5	1766	278	+10.0
Team 1	6650	5	n.c.
Team op	6207	55	n.c.
Real Estate, Building			
Gindi 1	1970	34	+3.2
Gindi 5	1630	–	–
Oren	510	708	+2.4
Oren 5	239	1773	+10.1
Azorim	1530	1123	+7.0
Ellon	540	1290	+3.8
Ellon op	511	80	+2.4
El-Rov 1	529	b.o.2	+5.0
El-Rov 5	358	b.o.2	+5.0
Ammonim	792	120	+5.6
Ammon op	560	40	−4.9
Afr Isr 0.1	21415	b.o.1	+5.0
Afr Isr 1.0	17987	314	+10.0
Afr op 4	15035	137	+12.2
Arazim	950	80	+4.4
Araz op	999	154	+4.2
Ariedan 1	6226	78	+10.0
Ariedan 5	2595	72	+8.1
Ben Yak 1	1902	60	+0.1
Baranow 1	1587	193	+10.0
Baran 5	897	243	+10.1
Baran op	804	50	+17.9
Daukner	2816	111	+10.0
Drucker 1	561	1183	+10.0
Drucker 5	308	1707	+10.0
Drucker op	196	608	+7.1
Darad 0.1	2480	21	+6.4
Darad 0.5	992	115	+5.0
Darad op	2030	16	+5.2
H.L.B. 0.1	2662	186	+10.0
H.L.B. 0.5 r	1045	213	+4.5
PropBldg	3470	3745	+9.9
Bayside 0.1	4970	458	+10.1
Bayside 0.5	4187	693	+10.0
ILDC r	22945	b.o.1	+5.0
Ispro	1696	1169	+2.1
Isralom	2750	25	+10.0
Isras	11020	484	+0.9
Cohen Dev.	2791		50
Clal Real	879	5507	+7.5
Lumir 1	2150	50	+7.5
Lumir 5	935	240	n.c.
M.T.M. 1	810	445	+19.3
Bldg.Res.	300	4026	+3.4
Bldg op	247	107	n.c.
Modul	1500	77	+11.5
Mishmael	301	2838	+7.5
Merarv	415	350	+7.8
Merarv op	1235	257	n.c.
Mar-Lez	294	b.o.1	+5.0
Mar-Lez op	2421	113	+9.0
Levinstn 1	4400	1	+1.3
Levinstein 5	974	74	+15.0
Levin. op	1250	–	–
Lifschitz 1	869	529	+10.0
Lifschitz 5	412	1234	+9.9
Lifschitz op	321	851	+12.6
Neot Aviv	16600	98	+8.5
Azorimprop	2662	236	+10.0
Sahar H 1	7260	200	+10.0
Sahar H 5	4906	25	+10.0
Solel Bon.	7810	354	+10.0
Sahaf 1	1269	98	+5.2
Sahaf 5	800	97	+4.6
Sahaf op	690	–	–
AfarSela	810	223	+1.0
Prinz	no trading		
Caesarea 1	849	459	+10.0
Caesarea 5	380	318	+5.8
Rubinst 1	5650	18	+9.8
Rubinst 5	3190	21	+10.0
Rogovin 1	2651	129	+1.5
Rogovin 5	1550	61	n.c.
Rassco p	5920	199	+9.6
Rassco r	5555	249	+10.0
Rassco op	5585	2	+9.9
Agriculture			
Hadar 0.1	1947	944	+10.0
Hadar 0.5	815	250	+5.8
Hadar op	242	94	+10.0
Mehadrin	8855	283	+10.0
Hadarim	1694	2982	+10.0
Pri-Or	3412	344	+10.0
Shenhar	4400	124	+7.4
Industrials			
Food and Tobacco			
Atas	5355	–	+5.0
Atas op	5099	–	–
Atlantic	*601*	622	*+2.0*
Atlan op	360	b.o.1	+9.1
Gold Fr 1	2300	150	+4.3
Gold Fr 5	543	b.o.1	+5.0
Gold op	353	b.o.1	+8.0
Dubek r	13310	204	+10.0
Dubek b	13750	227	+10.0
Sanlakol 1	2800	325	n.c.
Sanlakol 5	1680	150	+2.4
Pri-Ze 1	3134	190	+10.0
Pri-Ze 5	1240	360	+9.4
Tempo 1	no trading		
Tempo 5	no trading		
Izhar 1	1150	1096	+10.0
Izhar 5	578	1878	+10.1
Man 1	13744	9	+4.8
Man 5	3321	56	+10.0
Sunfrost	6674	410	+10.0
Elite r	14400	223	+3.9
Assis	26500	37	n.c.
Angel	*1740*	88	*+10.0*
Shemen p	6500	174	+6.6
Textiles and Clothing			
Adgar	2930	70	+5.0
Adgar op	2880	45	+5.1
Ofis	564	5	−0.9
Ofis op	*1100*	–	–
Baruch 1	4968	75	+10.0
Baruch 5	2776	130	+10.3
Eftan 1	457	260	+1.1
Eftan op	366	324	+11.9
Argaman r	3280	41	+12.4
Ata B 1	no trading		
Ata C 0.1	no trading		
Delta G 1	*6600*	*578*	*+7.3*
Delta G 3	5000	258	+3.1
U Spinners	522	s.o.2	−4.9
U Spinners	168	b.o.2	+5.0
Spin op	77	–	−9.4
Vitalgo 1	1500	110	+1.4
Vitalgo 5	922	250	+10.0
Wardinon	2700	100	+8.0
Zikit 1	*1310*	*150*	*+13.5*
Zikit 5	689	220	+9.5
Tip Top 1	262	700	+6.5
Tip Top op	177	b.o.2	+9.9
Yumar 1	990	30	−10.0
Lodzia 0.1	761	b.o.1	+5.0
Lodzia 0.4	326	1680	+8.7
Ligat	*370*	*4060*	*+8.8*
Ligat op	450	811	+21.6
MIF Glico	1099	355	+9.9
Glico op	2400	90	+11.6
Maquette 1	12834	10	+15.0
Maquette 5	4500	40	+9.8
Eagle 1	9200	192	+9.4
Eagle 5	3280	407	+3.1
Emek	*1650*	*198*	*n.c.*
Polgat 0.1	5469	684	+10.0
Polgat 0.4	2940	2042	+10.0
Polygon r	4000	30	+9.6
Pargod	721	163	+10.1
Schoell.	9432	108	+9.37
Rogosin	3262	598	+9.4
Metals and Metal Products			
Octagon	1685	50	+5.0
Octagon op	1360	15	n.c.
Urdan 0.1 r	13090	453	+9.2
Urdan 0.5 r	9933	81	n.c.
Cables r	10707	19	+7.0
Hatchof 1	3533	111	+10.0
Hatchof 5	1692	529	+10.0
Is.Can Co 1	795	*4124*	*+10.0*
Is.Can Co 5	494	b.o.1	+5.1
Morgan	no trading		
Morgan op	no trading		
Sdom Met 1	773	b.o.2	+5.0
Sdom op	416	b.o.1	+9.8
ZionCabl 1	5747	b.o.2	+5.0
ZionCabl 5	2766	401	+3.8
Kadnazi 1	610	*311*	*+8.9*
Kadnazi 5	242	2404	+3.0
Nechush 0.1	3276	b.o.1	+5.0
Nechush 0.5	1339	428	n.c.
Arad	2389	684	+9.7
Arad op	2208	344	+5.7
Pecker	3420	201	n.c.
King 1	7300	10	+9.0
King 5	3600	70	+9.1
Kill 1	1993	120	n.c.
Kill 5	875	310	+6.1
Shlidot	1900	187	+1.6
Lachish 1	1368	660	+9.2
Lachish 5	668	480	+7.9
Electrical Machinery			
Electronics, Optics			
Elbit 3 r	484000	41	+5.4
Elco 0.25 b	4500	158	+9.8
Elco 0.25	2410	380	+14.2
Electra 0.1	3015	b.o.2	+5.0
Electra 0.5	13650	31	+9.2
Elron	7000	173	+7.7
Arit	441000	22	+7.3
Arit op	31070	174	+10.0
Clal Elec	30790	20	+4.1
Spectrx 1	3300	3797	+3.2
Spectrx 5	2410	1682	+3.3
Spec op	35460	10	+10.8
Feuchtw	4600	95	+9.5
Feuchtw	2510	439	+9.1
Cyclone 1	6260	96	+9.5
Cyclone 5	2173	893	+11.8
KatzAd 1	1790	264	+20.1
KatzAd 5	880	1108	+10.0
T.A.T. 1	2239	236	+10.0
T.A.T. 5	896	1433	+8.5
T.A.T. op	7088	63	+12.0
Tedea	3430	30	n.c.
Building Materials			
I.P.Ind.	1585	835	+7.5
Alkot	3577	212	+3.0
Alkot op	6600	101	+5.3
Ackerst 1	4200	50	+3.2
Ackerst 5	no trading		
Tadir 1	4081	7	+10.0
Tadir 5	1665	–	+10.0
Barton 1	2651	106	n.c.
Barton 5	760	154	+4.8
Barton op	690	181	+15.0
Hamashl 1	994	311	+10.0
Hamashl 5	550	113	+7.8
Hamas op	789	–	+12.9
Trombest 1	18500	19	+5.9
Trombest 5	2507	318	+2.5
M.L.T. 1	1340	245	+30.0
M.L.T. 5	358	b.o.2	+5.0
Modul Ind.	1896	b.o.2	+5.0
Wolfman 1	13975	6	+10.0
Wolfman 5	9818	b.o.1	+5.0
Chemicals, Rubber, Plastics			
Agan 5	10088	333	+10.0
Alliance	693	428	+14.9
Gal Ind 1	7040	192	+10.0
Gal Ind 5	3260	423	+3.2
Dexter	2800	70	+8.9
Fertil 0.1	6390

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Wrong end of the stick

ONE OF THE biggest bones of contention in the current negotiations between the government and the Histadrut has been the planned sacking of 8,000 or 10,000 public sector employees.

Like some other components of the government's programme, the firing of 3 per cent of the civil servants has little to do with stabilizing the economy. Since the workers that are to be fired will be entitled to – and will get – severance pay (which in the case of veteran employees may be as much as two or even three years' salary), there will be no budget savings this year or even the next from their dismissals.

Nor is there any reason to believe that the public service will become more efficient just because three per cent of its workers will be sent packing, while the remaining 97 per cent will have to take lower wages.

What then is the purpose of the whole exercise? The only explanation is that the econocrats have taken a ride on the emergency programme to pursue extraneous goals.

True, our public sector is bigger than our productive sector can support. Part of the reason is that our productive sector is not itself productive enough, and that its inefficiency makes the burden of a bloated and inefficient public service even worse. But that betrays a bad system.

Instead of launching a bold attack on the system – for instance by negotiating with the Histadrut an increase in the mobility of public sector workers, so as to make it possible to transfer civil servants from one job to another, and from one ministry or public service to another – the government has chosen to convince the Histadrut that the axe is superior to the scalpel.

The former director of the Treasury's budget division, Yaacov Gadish, has estimated the annual turnover of public servants at 20,000 a year. Even if his estimate is exaggerated, the natural attrition is certainly far bigger than the number of public servants that are to be fired now. What the government ought to do then, is to stop hiring more people, while making sure that it can move people from one job or workplace to another.

Such a reform would not cost the government any money, would not hurt the workers, would do wonders for efficiency, and would reduce the size of the public service much more quickly than the plans that keep the prime minister, the finance minister and the Histadrut's secretary-general awake till daylight.

Needless affront

THE airlift operation of Ethiopian Jews to their Israeli homeland was undertaken on the understanding that they *were* Jews. Over a decade already their Jewishness had been affirmed by the then Sephardi Chief Rabbi, Ovadia Yosef, with the concurrence of his Ashkenazi colleague, Shlomo Goren. Later the government of Israel applied to them the Law of Return.

True, Ethiopia's communist ruler, Mengistu Haile Mariam, ruled that the so-called Falashas were not Jewish at all, and he complained that they had been "abducted" by the Israelis. But the immigrants themselves knew better, having kept the old faith for centuries in the face of discrimination and persecution. Otherwise they would not have undertaken the hazardous journey which in the end brought them to the Promised Land.

They knew – or at least they thought they knew – that they were loyal Jews, and incontrovertibly so.

What they did not know was that their Jewishness was in fact a matter of controversy within Israel; that their long separation from the main body of Jewry and their ignorance of the Oral Law made them suspect in the eyes of most of Israel's rabbis; and that on arrival here they would have to undergo a form of conversion signifying a "renewal of the covenant" before they could satisfy the rabbis that they were "complete" Jews.

Since their return home, the Chief Rabbinate has dropped its original demand that all male Ethiopians submit to a symbolic circumcision. But it still insists that most of them, male and female alike, go through a ritual immersion, without which their Jewishness remains suspect, and they cannot be legally married. Some of the immigrants have given in to the demand. But most of them, it seems, keep resisting it.

To them, it is not only absurd but degrading. It reminds them of the hated baptismal ceremony, which the Christians in their native land tried to force them into, but mostly they resent the implication that they, who lived proudly as Jews back in Ethiopia, should have their Jewishness challenged in their own land.

A handful of rabbis, headed by Ovadia Yosef, now an ex-chief rabbi, have sided with the immigrants. But the incumbent chief rabbis, Mordechai Eliahu and Avraham Shapira, will not budge.

Rabbis in earlier centuries, when Orthodoxy reigned supreme, would have deliberately closed their eyes even to outright heresy if by doing so they could bring straying sheep back to the fold. But Rabbis Shapira and Eliahu assert their clerical authority by adhering to rigidly dogmatic rules of exclusion.

Yesterday's Ethiopian protest march, launched from Carmiel and Afula, was called off en route to Tel Aviv when the marchers were promised that Premier Shimon Peres would meet with them and also discuss their grievances with Rabbi Eliahu. But mere discussions will not do: action must be taken to remove the humiliation inflicted on the Ethiopian Jews who came here in "Operation Moses."

At stake is nothing less than Israel's standing as the land of the ingathered Jewish exiles.

POSTSCRIPTS

P.S. AN Indian, who was slapped by his wife was granted divorce by a high court on the grounds that the smack amounted to cruelty.

Madhya Pradesh High Court chief justice Virendra Gyani also ruled that by threatening to commit suicide, the wife had treated her husband cruelly and he has the right to divorce her.

Gyani said the 24-year-old wife not only threatened to commit suicide but frequently abused her husband, a bank employee.

The Sikh couple married in 1979, and a year later the husband filed a divorce suit in the district court of Ujjain, a temple city in central India.

In 1983, the district court rejected the suit and the 25-year-old husband filed an appeal.

The appeal was heard in closed court. The judge directed that the names of the couple not be published.

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The basis for peace negotiations

By ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG

IS PEACE at hand in the Middle East? In light of past experience, it would be foolhardy to say yes. But there are hopeful developments. King Hussein, on his recent visit to Washington announced that the PLO is finally prepared to accept Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338. Arafat, characteristically, is refusing to confirm or deny this.

There are, however, catches in the King's apparently forthcoming pronouncement. He stipulated that peace negotiations be conducted under international auspices. Apparently, this would involve the Soviet Union.

Such an umbrella is unacceptable to both the U.S. and Israel, in view of the futility of the Geneva Conference and the pro-Arab role of the Soviet Union in Middle Eastern affairs.

Hussein also stipulated that PLO representatives be included in the Jordanian delegation to the peace negotiations.

The inclusion of known PLO representatives has been categorically rejected by Israel. The U.S., according to Secretary of State George Shultz, is unwilling to agree to PLO participation in the joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation unless the PLO expressly recognizes Israel's right to exist and repudiates its charter calling for the destruction of Israel.

PRIME MINISTER Peres has promulgated a peace plan, insisting upon direct negotiations between the concerned parties. Peres welcomes the good offices of the U.S. as at Camp David in 1978.

In a rather transparent attempt to satisfy Hussein's condition for an international umbrella, Peres suggests that the permanent members of the UN Security Council join in endorsing direct negotiations - a proposal certain to be vetoed by the Soviet Union.

Peres further proposes that West Bank Palestinians who are not members of the PLO Executive be included in a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation. Since many of these Palestinians are members of the Palestine National Council, the Israelis apparently will not exact a loyalty oath of such representatives who undoubtedly are PLO adherents.

Hussein also proposes that a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation meet with U.S. officials before formal negotiations begin. The Israelis object to this as undercutting the direct negotiations they insist on. But it seems the Israelis are in no position to veto such a meeting, particularly since the U.S. has endorsed the concept of direct negotiations and Hussein's proposal encompasses only an exchange of views.

A real obstacle, in my view, is unrelated to the positions announced by Hussein, Peres and the U.S. It is the adamant opposition of Syria to any direct negotiations. Knowing this, Jordan and apparently the PLO nevertheless are willing to proceed.

If Hussein's and Peres's views can be reconciled and direct negotiations result, what would be their basis?

Here, hopefully, all parties are apparently in agreement that the basis for negotiations would be UN Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338.

Here, I shall attempt, in question and answer format, to provide a measure of enlightenment as to the content and meaning of these resolutions.

Does 242 require the withdrawal of Israeli armed forces from all of the territories occupied by Israel during the 1967 war?
THE ANSWER is no. In the resolution, the words "the" and "all" are omitted. The French text of this resolution reads otherwise. This has been explained as a vagary of French grammar. More importantly, it was the English and not the French text of the resolution which was adopted on November 22, 1967. Resolution 242 calls for the withdrawal of the IDF from territories occupied in 1967, without specifying the extent of the withdrawal.

The resolution, therefore, neither commands nor prohibits total withdrawal.

If the resolution is purposely ambiguous on this crucial issue, how is the withdrawal issue to be settled?
THE ANSWER is by direct negotiations between the concerned parties. Resolution 242 calls for agreement between the parties in order to achieve a peaceful and accepted settlement. Agreement and acceptance necessarily require negotiations.

Is 242 ambiguous about the need for negotiations?
ANY AMBIGUITY in this regard has been resolved by Resolution 338, unanimously adopted by the Security Council on October 22, 1973. It reaffirms 242 in all its parts and requires negotiations between the parties concerned aimed at establishing a just and durable peace in the Middle East.

Is 242 self-executing?
THE ANSWER is no. Negotiations are necessary to put flesh on the bones of the resolution, as 338 acknowledges.

Is Israel's withdrawal confined to only "minor" border rectifications?
NO. RESOLUTION 242 reaffirms the right of every state in the area "to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries free from threats or acts of force."

Secure boundaries may require more extensive border modifications and other measures, such as demilitarized zones or border settlements (the Allon plan), to assure security.

How are secure and recognized boundaries to be achieved to enable every state to live in peace free from threats or acts of force?
BY NEGOTIATION, agreement and accepted settlement.

What of the language of 242 "emphasizing the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by war?"
THIS EXPRESSES a general principle incorporated in the UN Charter and, unfortunately, more honoured in the breach than in the observance by many nations in the recent past. It is, however, qualified by the specific recognition of the right of every state in the area to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries.

Does 242 require Israel to recognize the PLO and to agree to the establishment of a Palestinian state on the West Bank?
NO. THERE is no reference to the PLO or to a Palestinian state in the resolution. It merely affirms the necessity for achieving a just settlement of the refugee problem.

However, in the Camp David accords Israel agreed to "recognize the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and their just requirements." This is a gloss on 242. But it is a far cry from requiring Israel to agree to the creation of a Palestinian state on the West Bank.

Further, in the Camp David accords and the Israeli-Egyptian Peace Treaty, autonomy was to be granted with the issue of sovereignty deferred.

Does 242 apply to the West Bank?
YES, BUT subject to the fact that the West Bank's pre-1967 boundaries were not recognized internationally as were Sinai's. The 1949 armistice lines and the language of the armistice agreements are subject to change and modification in negotiations. Jordan, it must be recalled, seized the West Bank by war in 1948. No Arab state recognized this seizure. Only Great Britain and Pakistan did so. Thus the legal status of the West Bank under international law is by no means clear.

Does 242 apply to Jerusalem?
NO. THE City of Peace was not mentioned in 242. Its legislative history shows that the ultimate status of Jerusalem is to be settled in negotiations between the concerned parties.

What about the Gaza Strip?
THE GAZA Strip has never been included in the internationally recognized boundaries of Egypt, although Egypt was the administrative power before 1967. The ultimate fate of the Gaza district is also to be determined by negotiations.

Does 242 apply to the Golan Heights?
YES, SUBJECT to the fixing of secure and recognized boundaries by negotiations. But Syria is adamant in refusing to negotiate with Israel.

Further, Syria has never accepted 242 and has constantly maintained that it is at war with Israel. This is contrary to 242, which calls for the "termination of all claims or states of belligerency" between the parties.

Finally, since 242 and 338 call for negotiations and inasmuch as Syria has refused to negotiate a peace settlement with Israel, the established rule of international law is applicable – that one party to a conflict cannot rely upon the laws of war while insisting that the other party adhere to the laws of peace.

What are the prospects of a comprehensive peace in the Middle East?
PROMISING, BUT by no means certain. Considering past abortive peace efforts, optimism must be guarded.

The writer is a former U.S. ambassador the UN and principal drafter of Resolution 242. He also served on the U.S. Supreme Court.

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READERS' LETTERS

HALACHA AND MODERN ISSUES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – Reuven Alberg's article ("Analysing an argument" – July 3), whilst presenting a fair critique of Paul Eidelberg's previous article concerning the release of the Jewish underground, etc., commits the same felony he accuses Eidelberg of committing – i.e. "argues other issues and slips in the main theme innocuously."

In this case, Alberg "slips in" a scathing attack on Halacha and the potential of Tora legislation to stand up to the test of the 20th century and dismisses its capability by a few puerile examples which in themselves were inaccurate.

Alberg states that Jewish law has no provisions on many "modern issues" such as patents, censorship, modern communications, banking, unions, democratic voting, etc. etc. He may be right if he were to extract this from the *Shulhan Aruch*, written in the 16th century as a codification of the law relevant to that day, but if he were to study the Talmud in depth, he would find references which would bear similarity to present-day issues such as those listed above. This derives from the fact that the Talmud is not a law-book – i.e. one cannot look up "patents" and find a list of laws – it is a record of discussions and statements of the oral law, handed down through the generations, and was meant as a basis for deriving law and not for fixing law.

Obviously, the "thousands of rabbis and 50,000 yeshiva students" will have difficulty in fixing the Halacha on every modern problem that may arise, and I would be the last to suggest that all our "religious" leaders are worthy of this task. But on many aspects, ways have been found to reconcile Halacha with a changing world without the need to change the basic axioms of Halacha or their rejection without hesitation, as does Alberg.

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PORT PILOTS

To the Editor of the Jerusalem Post

SIr, – You published in your issue of June 30, an article about a judgment of the Supreme Court concerning port pilots' responsibility, in which it was mistakenly stated that the Court "absolved the pilot of guilt for negligent and unprofessional pilotage."

The judgment does not contain any such finding, but establishes the principle of the pilot's liability if in fact he was negligent in performing his task.

DR. RUDOLF GOTTSCHALK
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MORMONISM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – As a regular reader of the Jerusalem Post, I am usually impressed by the quality of your reporting. The article "When the saints come marching in" (June 7) was not, however, quite up to your usual standards. Yosef Goell consistently terms the Mormon Church a *Christian* church. He may be unaware that Mormonism has about the same relationship to Christianity as Christianity has to Judaism.

So, unless you are prepared to regard all Christian churches as Jewish splinter groups – at least religionwise – please don't call Mormonism a Christian sect.

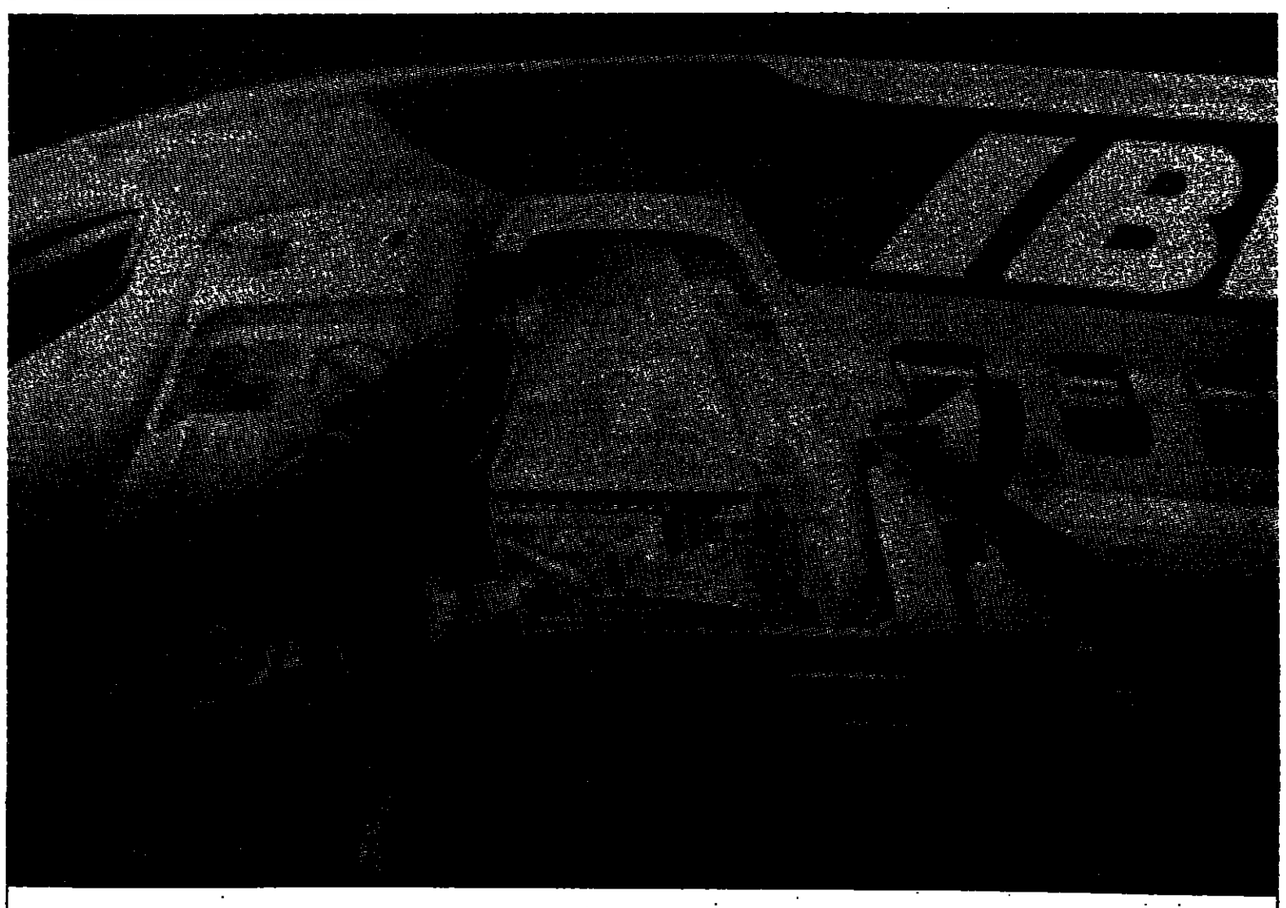
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FAIRNESS IN JOURNALISM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – Shulamith Marcus Gunders did a wonderful research job in her excellent article of June 28, "Head Hunting." It was a wonderful service to the cause of fairness in journalism.

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